

J. B. Lawrence, Former State Leader, Passes



Dr. J. B. Lawrence

ATLANTA (BP)—J. B. Lawrence, famed Baptist leader of yesteryear who headed the

Tanner Accepts College Position

Dr. Wm. G. Tanner, pastor of First Baptist Church in Gulfport since 1964, has resigned to become president of Mary-Hardin Baylor College, Belton, Texas.

Dr. Tanner was elected by the trustees on Sept. 5 and he will take office Sept. 23.

He will succeed Leonard Holloway, who resigned to become president of the University of Corpus Christi at Corpus Christi, Texas.

In recent action the trustees of the school, traditionally a girls' college, voted to grant degrees to non-resident men, but decided not to become a part of Baylor University, a move which had been suggested by a special Texas Baptist Education Committee. The school has an enrollment of 1200.

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Southern Baptist Home Mission Board for 25 years, wanted to live to be 100. When death came during the night of September 5, he was less than three years short of that century mark.

He was 97. It was one of the few major goals he missed in life.

He had retired in 1953 after nearly a quarter of a century of service as the executive secretary of the Atlanta-based Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention.

Lawrence assumed the leadership of the agency in 1929 when it was disgraced by the scandal of a treasurer's embezzlement and a staggering debt of \$2½ million.

At retirement he was recognized as one of the outstanding leaders of Baptist missions and history has only strengthened that assessment, according to the present executive, Arthur B. Rutledge.

By the time of his retirement, the debt had been paid, a strong national missions program had been developed that later would lead Southern Baptists into every state in the nation, and a headquarters building had been purchased in downtown Atlanta. In 1953 the annual budget for the agency was nearly \$3 million, supporting 937 missionaries.

Lawrence's administration at the mission agency fell into two contrasting parts. The first 15 years were given to paying the debt, permitting only a minimum of mission work. The remaining 10 years were given to rebuilding the board's missionary outreach and influence, Rutledge said.

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STATE MISSIONS ISSUE

WASHINGTON (BP)—The Continental Congress on Evangelism slated here Oct. 10-13 as part of the Crusade of the Americas will feature a Friday night rally instead of a march from the Capitol to Washington Monument even though government officials have agreed to grant a permit for the gathering, congress officials here announced.

At the same time, the North American coordinator for the Crusade of the Americas, Wayne Dehoney of Louisville, Ky., announced that registration quotas have been withdrawn and attendance will be open to all who register and pay the \$10 fee.

The Friday night rally (Oct. 11) will be held at the Washington National Guard Armory, with Baptists from metropolitan Washington area churches invited to attend.

The rally will be held in lieu of the much-publicized march and parade from the Capitol to the Washington Monument on Sunday afternoon, said William J. Cumbie, secretary-treasurer of the Continental Congress and superintendent of missions for the Mount Vernon Baptist Association.

Cumbie said that a letter from Everett W. Sawyer, acting superintendent of the Central National Capitol Parks, National Park Services, off-

ered the use of the outdoor facilities.

Last April, the park services declined the Baptists' request for use of the facilities for a march and outdoor rally. "Because of the civil disruption that we experienced at that time, it was necessary, temporarily, to withhold issuing any permits for the use of any park lands for that far in advance," Sawyer said in his letter.

Sawyer said that since the "emergency has subsided," the park services would be glad to make the facilities available to the Continental

Congress.

Cumbie said, however, that "we will give a nice letter to Mr. Sawyer, saying, 'Thank you, but we have already made arrangements to use the Armory for a Friday night rally, and since we are having a night rally, we believe an indoor rally would be better.'"

Both Cumbie and Dehoney expressed gratitude to the park service for offering the use of the facilities, but it was too late to change the plans.

Dehoney said that attendance at the Congress would be open to all interested Baptists (Continued on page 2)

State Missions Week Sept. 15-18

CONTINENTAL CONGRESS SETS RALLY AND OPENS ATTENDANCE

September is the month for emphasis on State Missions in Mississippi and every church, Sunday School and W.M.U. is being urged to observe the event and take a special offering for the cause.

Every other unit organization in the church is likewise being urged to cooperate in the effort.

This year's Convention-approved object is \$100,000, according to Dr. W. Douglas Hudgins, Jackson, Chairman of the Executive Committee of the State Convention Board.

The current enlarged emphasis thus calls for church-wide participation and includes and supplements the traditional promotion provided by State Missions Day in the Sunday Schools and churches Sept. 15 and WMU Season of Prayer for State Missions, Sept. 16-18.

The enlarged emphasis suggests a sermon by the pastor on the subject, an assembly program in Sunday School and a special program on the subject Wednesday evening involving the men of the church.

The State Missions budget for this convention year is \$747,392 with \$647,392 of it to be provided principally by the Cooperative Program, leaving \$100,000 to be contributed through the State Missions offerings.

Dr. Edwin Robinson, executive secretary, and Mrs. W. E. Hannah, Clinton, state WMU president, both urge every WMS in the state to observe the WMU Season of Prayer and make an offering toward the challenging goal.

The theme for the week is "Christ the Only Hope — in Mississippi," which also carries out the theme of the Crusade of the Americas.

Bryant Cummings, state Sunday School director, has asked every Sunday School in the state to observe the event and receive a special offering. "All pastors are likewise being asked to lead their churches to observe the day and take a special offering."

The state Stewardship, Sunday School and W. M. U. de-

partments have cooperated by mailing various materials to the churches for use in the special observance.

These include offering envelopes, brochures and resource material.



Miss Ruth Little

G. A. Director Resigns Post

Miss Ruth Little, Girls' Auxiliary director for Mississippi Baptist Woman's Missionary Union, has resigned, effective Sept. 15, according to Dr. Edwin Robinson, W.M.U. executive secretary.

Miss Little, who has been in her present position since 1964, will be married to Dr. Paul Raymond Aiken, of Atlanta on Sept. 14, and they will make their home in that city.

The wedding will be held at Woodland Hills Baptist (Continued on page 2)

New Blame Placed For '500' Slowdown

ATLANTA (BP)—The disappointing financial development for Project 500 does not represent poor giving as much as lack of communication, a mission executive said here.

"It is not that the rate of giving has decreased, but that the rate of increase has not been as much as was hoped for," said Loyd Corder, director of the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board's

program of establishing new churches.

Earlier, the Home Mission Board announced that only about one-third of the expected \$3.4 million can be counted on with certainty for Project 500, the denomination's special two-year church extension effort.

"If our people had understood the project, I feel they would have given commensurate with what we are trying to do," Corder said.

"But this takes a period of education. Project 500 is more elaborate than anything we have attempted before," he explained.

Meanwhile, missions leaders are taxing their ingenuity to continue important work in many Project 500 locations. As of the end of July, work was underway in 124 of the 500 predetermined locations, half of the effort manned by laymen.

Strategy is what makes Project 500 different from normal church extension efforts, Corder observed. Project 500 is a special "over and above" effort to pinpoint particularly strategic locations for new churches and then start churches or church-type missions in those areas within two years (1968-1969).

As an "over and above" project, Corder said, money for Project 500 was to come from an extra effort in the Annie Armstrong Home Missions Offering and non-budgeted overage in regular Cooperative Program receipts.

The funds, as Home Mission Board Executive Secretary, Arthur Rutledge said, (Continued on page 3)

Slain Diplomat Was The Son Of Missionaries

John Gordon Mein, U. S. ambassador to Guatemala who was slain in Guatemala City on August 28, was the son of the late Dr. and Mrs. John Mein, Southern Baptist missionaries to Brazil.

His brother David, a missionary, is president of the North Brazil Baptist Theological Seminary in Recife (address: Caixa Postal 221, Recife, Pernambuco, Brazil), and his stepmother, Mrs. Mildred Cox Mein, is a missionary teacher at the Northeast Baptist Bible Institute in Feira de Santana, Bahia, Brazil (Caixa Postal 16, Feira de Santana, Bahia, Brazil).

Ambassador Mein was shot to death when his limousine was ambushed on a main thoroughfare of Guatemala City.

State Meet Set For Elementary Workers



Dr. Louise Bates Ames

A statewide Baptist Convention of Elementary Workers and Parents will be held at the Woodland Hills Baptist Church in Jackson Oct. 14-16. This will be the first meeting of its kind in the state and includes all ages from birth through 12.

Speakers will include Dr. Louise Bates Ames, chief psychologist and associate director of Gesell Institute of Child Development, New Haven, Conn.; Dr. Myron Madden, Chaplain, Baptist Hospital, New Orleans; Troy White, supervisor of elementary education, State Department of Education, Jackson; Dr. Edward Frierson, coordinator of Learning Disabilities Training Program, George Peabody College, Nashville; Dr. LaVerne Ashby, consultant, primary work; David Prewett, family ministry consultant, both in Church Training Department, Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville.

Conference leaders will include Dr. Elizabeth Hutchens, professor of religious elementary education, Southern Baptist

ist Seminary, Louisville, Ky. and Miss Mary Anne Forehand, editor of Sunbeam Activities, published by W.M.U. of Southern Baptist Convention, Birmingham.

The convention will be promoted by five departments of the Convention Board, Sunday School, Training Union, WMU, Music and Brotherhood, with directors of these departments taking turns in presiding over the sessions.

Those to attend will include workers in all elementary units, parents of those in elementary units, pastors, educational directors, elementary directors, music directors, kindergarten workers and general workers.

Music leader will be Saxe Adams, music consultant of the Sunday School Board in Nashville.

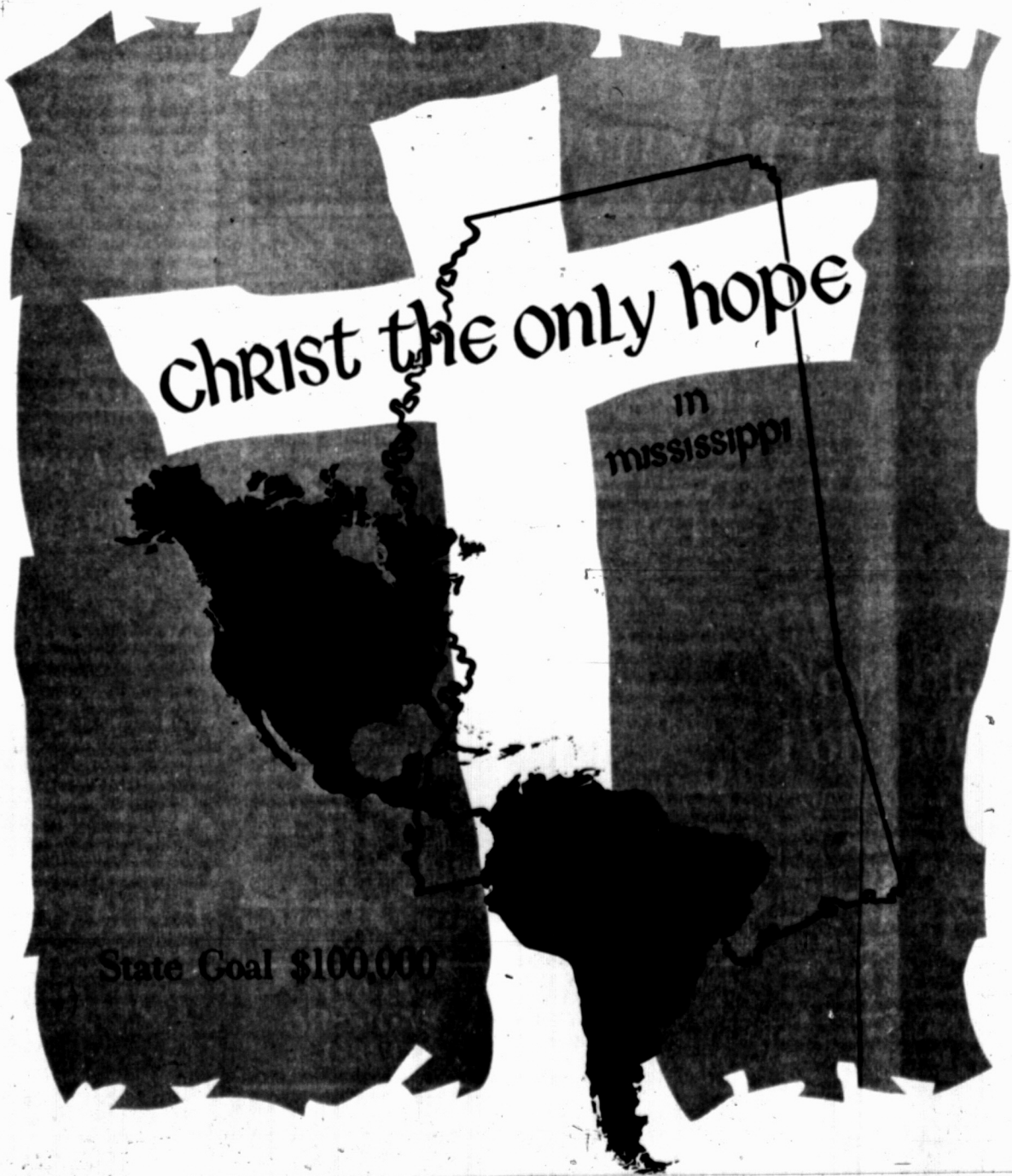
The convention will begin (Continued on page 2)

Mission Receipts Up 9.3 Percent

Mississippi Baptist Cooperative Program receipts for the first ten months of this convention year, ending August 31, totaled \$2,980,853.24, according to A. L. Nelson, Jackson, interim treasurer of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board.

This is an increase of \$253,683.19 or 9.3 percent over the \$2,727,170.05 given the same period a year ago.

Receipts for August totaled \$259,609.71, an increase of \$1,137.40 or .4 percent over the \$258,472.31 contributed in August a year ago.



STATE MISSIONS DAY IN THE SUNDAY SCHOOLS
AND CHURCHES—SUNDAY, SEPT. 15
W. M. U. SEASON OF PRAYER FOR STATE
MISSIONS SEPT. 16-18

State Missions Is Financed By Simple Formula

By John Alexander
Director
Stewardship Department

Mississippi Baptists have a comprehensive and effective program of State Missions. The work is financed through a simple and workable formula. Think of the confusion that could result if the state had no comprehensive plan.

Annually the Convention adopts a general missions budget better known as the Cooperative World Missions Program. Included in this budget are S. B. C. and state causes as well as capital needs.

State causes included in the general budget are: four colleges, Gilroy School of Nursing, Children's Village, Board of Ministerial Education, Baptist Foundation, Baptist Hospital, Christian Action Commission, Historical Commission, Pioneer Missions and State Missions.

This year's State Missions budget, approved by the Convention last November and listed below, totals \$747,392.00. The State Missions budget will receive \$647,392.00, principally through the Cooperative Program, leaving \$100,000.00. The Convention must look to

the churches for this \$100,000. The Sunday School will have State Missions Day on Sunday, September 15. The W. M. U. Season of Prayer for State Missions is September 16-18. All the members of the churches are urged to study, pray and give to State Missions this year.

Every W. M. U. in the state is urged to observe the State Missions Season of Prayer and give generously through the Margaret Lackey Offering for State Missions.

Every Sunday School can present special Assembly Programs and make special envelopes available for each pupil.

The Brotherhood is asked to be responsible for planning and promoting a special Wednesday evening service on September 11, dealing with State Missions.

The Training Union may present a pageant on Sunday night, September 15 or 22.

The theme this year is "Christ the Only Hope in Mississippi." Total receipts last year were \$93,492.03. The goal this year is \$100,000.

This is how our State Missions program is financed. The approved budget is listed below:

State Mission Budget 1967-68	
Evangelism Department	\$ 27,750
Stewardship Department	62,757
Sunday School Department	80,894
Training Union Department	79,892
Brotherhood Department	48,616
Cooperative Missions Department	72,267
Church Music Department	51,592
Department of Student Work	
BSU Campus Work	101,765
Department—National Baptists & Miss.	
Baptist Sem.	67,670
Associational Missions	50,000
Assemblies	51,000
Church Building Aid (Inc. \$1,000 emerg.)	11,000
Pastoral Aid	5,000
Tracts & Promotion	15,500
Sanatorium	900
WMU-Camp Garaywa, Indian & Negro Work	18,500
Office Rent (Stewardship & Coop. Miss.)	600
Miscellaneous	1,439
Religious Education Association	250
TOTAL	\$747,392
Allocation from Cooperative Program & other sources	647,392
Balance necessary to be given through State Mission Offering	100,000

KOREAN BAPTIST PASTORS HOLD UNITED CONFERENCE

"A spirit of positiveness and genuine Christian fellowship" pervaded the first pastors' conference of the reunited Korea Baptist Convention, reports Miss Betty Jane Hunt, missionary, former Mississippian.

More than 200 Korean pastors and missionaries recently met at Tae Hung Baptist Church, Taejon, for four days of Bible and doctrinal study, worship, and inspiration—and reconciliation—under the leadership of Rev. Don Kim, Korea-born pastor of the bilingual Berendo Street Baptist Church, Los Angeles, Calif.

Split into two factions for nine years, the Convention was reunited in April. "Though there was rejoicing and thanksgiving, the danger remained that organizational unity might not be accompanied by genuine spiritual oneness," says Miss Hunt. "Few believed that any leader from either group could fuse the two groups into a spiritual whole."

"Then Mr. Kim came to visit the land of his birth for the first time in 20 years, and he was asked to serve as conference leader."

"Uniquely qualified by race and background to effectively communicate to all involved, he consistently responded to the needs of the hour. National pastors and missionaries alike rejoiced in

the result. One pastor said there was not a single note of 'party politics' to spoil the meeting."

State Missions In Action



Assemblies

Thousands of Mississippi Baptists enjoy the weeks at Gulfshore Assembly, Pass Christian, each year. The above scene shows the Gulf Hotel, on the side facing the fishing pier and the Bay of St. Louis. Local church groups are encouraged to make use of these lovely facilities for retreats, etc., the year round. Camp Kittiwake, pictured at right, is also on the Gulf Coast. It is for use by Royal Ambassadors and other church groups. Rev. Tom Douglas is manager of assemblies.





The Audit, Budget and Allocations Committee of the Convention Board met Sept. 3 at the Mississippi Baptist Convention Building. From left: C. E. Kirk, Indianola; Claude Townsend, Florence, Convention president; Dr. W. Douglas Hudgins, Jackson, chairman Executive Committee; Dr. W. Levan Moore, Pontotoc, committee chairman; A. L. Nelson, Jackson, business manager and interim treasurer; Dr. Leroy Green, Prentiss; Rev. P. A. Michel, Corinth, and Rev. Bill R. Baker, Calhoun City.

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who want to attend the meeting at the Shoreham Hotel, and who are willing to pay the \$10 registration fee. Hotel space is still available at the Shoreham Hotel and at other hotels, Dehoney said.

Advance registration for the Congress totals 1,065 to date, Cumble said, including about 750 Southern Baptists and 250 from other Baptist groups.

Attendance at the congress has been limited to 2,500 because of lack of hotel space and seating capacity of the Shoreham auditorium, Dehoney said.

Quotas were originally set for each participating Baptist Convention, with no national convention having an allocation of less than 100 and no state convention with an allocation of less than 50. "After July 1 (this date is flexible), quotas will no longer be in effect and the remaining space will be thrown open on a first come, first served basis to everyone," said a set of guidelines on registration approved by the Steering Committee of the North American Continental Congress.

Dehoney said that the quotas were set to prevent Southern Baptists, who outnumber all other Baptist bodies in the hemisphere, from filling up all the accommodations, and to assure the other groups of proportionate representation.

Purpose of the congress, said Cumble, "is to serve as a forum for the best thinking among Baptists on evangelistic work, its theology, its methodology, and its practical involvements."

Major speakers for the meeting include C. E. Autrey, evangelism secretary for the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board, Atlanta; George Beasley - Murray, principal, Spurgeon's College, London, England; Baker James Cauthen, executive secretary of the SBC Foreign Mission Board, Richmond, Va.; Kenneth L. Chafin and Dale Moody, professors, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky.

Cooper To Speak

Owen Cooper, president, Mississippi Chemical Corp., Yazoo City, Miss.; J. H. Jackson, president, National Baptist Convention, U. S. A., Inc.; Reuben Lopes, president of the Crusade of the Americas Coordinating Committee and pastor in Sao Paulo, Brazil;

Mrs. R. L. Mathis, promotion director, SBC Woman's Missionary Union, Birmingham, Ala.; Gordon Schroeder, American Baptist pastor in Detroit; Gardner Taylor, president, Progressive National Baptist Convention, New York; Carl W. Tiller, past president of the American Baptist Convention and layman from Washington, D. C.; John W. Williams, National Baptist Convention of America pastor in Kansas City, Mo.; Howard Butt, grocery chain executive from Corpus Christi, Tex.; and John Edmund Hagai, evangelist, Atlanta.

In addition, two large segments of program time are assigned for work shop sessions, said Owen Cooper of Yazoo City, Miss., program chairman for the congress.

A major feature at the rally program on Friday night will be a mass choir of 300 voices accompanied by a nationally-known symphony orchestra and directed by Claude Rhea, mass communications consultant for the SBC Foreign Mission Board.

Cumble said that registration, accompanied by the \$10 registration fee, must be made with the Washington Area Committee of the Crusade of the Americas, 2932 King St., Alexandria, Va., 22302, except for the Friday night rally which will be open to the public.

AN ORIENTATION meeting for Mississippi Sunday School workers who will participate in the Wyoming Sunday School Enlargement Campaign Oct. 20-24 was held in Jackson Aug. 30 under direction of the Sunday School Department. Several of those attending are seen in photo above. From left: Rev. Johnny Lee Taylor, pastor First Church, McComb; Claude Townsend, Florence, Convention president, both members of Pioneer Missions Committee; Bryant Cummings, director Sunday School Department; Dale Oden, Picayune, and Glen T. Williams, Vicksburg. Photo at right shows most of the 20 who will make the trip.

HOUSTON CRISIS STATEMENT AVAILABLE IN TRACT FORM

NASHVILLE (BP)—"A Statement Concerning The Crisis In Our Nation," approved by the Southern Baptist Convention last June in Houston, has been published in tract form by the Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention.

The publication of the statement came at the request of SBC agency representatives meeting in Atlanta to discuss ways of implementing the statement.

The tract is available to the churches through the state convention tract offices.

The tract was published in an attempt to communicate more widely to Southern Baptists the full text of the statement.

Two Students Get Radio-TV Scholarships

FORT WORTH (BP)—The Southern Baptist Radio and Television Commission here has presented its two annual \$500 scholarships to students planning careers in radio and television to California and Oklahoma students.

Miss Cheryl Ann Yarchin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Yarchin of Torrance, Calif., was chosen to receive the Robert Sarnoff Communications Scholarship. A graduate of S. R. Butler High School, Huntsville, Ala., Miss Yarchin is specializing in radio - television and history at Baylor University, Waco, Texas.

The Bill Moyers Communications Scholarship was awarded to George English Morgan, a radio - television major at Oklahoma State University. Morgan, son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul F. Morgan of Midwest City, Okla., is a graduate of Murphy High School, Mobile, Ala.

The scholarships are awarded each year to Southern Baptist students committed to careers in radio and television.

Assets Of Baptist Schools Growing

By Rabun L. Brantley
Director
Education Commission, SBC

Studies are the order of the day. There comes a time when intelligent decisions cannot be made without the benefit of a thorough study of the situation at hand.

Baptist schools have not escaped the study cycles. Several state commissions now have studies going concerning the future of their colleges and schools. These efforts are healthy and show that there is enough interest in Christian education to stimulate Baptists to work on their educational problems.

Let anyone should believe that Baptists have not achieved a great deal in the area of Christian education, a look at the statistics of the last ten years in encouraging. As good as these figures are, they are not good enough and the gap between the expenditures per student in the Baptist schools and the tax-supported schools is continuing to widen. Baptists have the resources to reduce and even close the gap. It is a matter of loosening up these resources.

What have Baptists accomplished in Christian education from 1957-58 through 1967-68? The total assets, including the seminaries, colleges, Bible schools and academies, have increased from \$247,858,726 to

\$585,599,053, or 136 percent in the ten years. Endowments grew from \$68,649,148 to \$142,620,912, or about 106 percent.

In the ten years the total property value of the schools increased from \$188,126,301 to \$442,938,141, or by about 135 percent. This means that plant values jumped some 27 percent more than did the endowment. The picture would be more encouraging if reversed, with endowments taking the lead. Buildings without money to back them up can be liabilities, but people will give a building much quicker than they will contribute to endowment or for paying debts.

Cooperative program gifts for current operations increased from \$7,342,803 to \$13,924,201, about 89 percent, while capital gifts decreased from \$5,563,169 to \$5,379,998, or 3.2 percent.

187% Increase
The continuing industry of the presidents in raising additional funds paid off with a remarkable 187 percent increase from \$8,142,090 to \$21,656,629. Because of rising costs, tuition and fees had to be increased 239 percent in order for the schools to operate in the black. In dollars, tuition and fees jumped from \$16,810,364 to \$57,147,325.

In the period the number of students increased from 66,312 to 98,695, and the faculty and administrators moved up from 3,772 to 5,766. Books in the libraries nearly doubled, from 2,373,424 to 4,493,512. When it is remembered that the average estimated cost of placing a book on the shelf is about \$8 each, these added books alone represent an increased investment of about \$15 million.

While dollar assets and the total number of students have been increasing, the number of ministerial students recorded have dropped in ten years from 9,976 to 7,216, and other church-related vocations are down from 5,552 to 5,078. Baptists generally agree that whatever responsibility they have in regard to the vocational choice of Baptist young people has to be shared by the home, church, and to some degree, the schools.

State Meet Set --

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at 2:00 p.m. Oct. 14 and adjourn at noon Oct. 16.

The purpose of the convention, according to the department directors, is to study the child's developmental processes and possible problems related to his learning abilities and in the light of this knowledge how best to meet his needs as they relate to Christian teaching objectives.

James Burleson Joins Sunday School Board

NASHVILLE (BP)—James Burleson, former minister of music at Rosen Heights Baptist Church, Fort Worth, has joined the church music department of the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board as youth consultant.

A native of Arkansas, Burleson holds a bachelor of arts degree in music from Ouachita Baptist University, Arkadelphia, Ark. He has done graduate study at the University of Missouri and at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary.

As youth consultant, Burleson will work with churches across the convention in their youth music programs.



Heroism Over North Vietnam

Chaplain, Brigadier General, William L. Clark, Deputy Chief of Air Force Chaplains, and former Southern Baptist pastor in Mississippi, recently completed a tour of bases in Southeast Asia. In ceremonies at Nakhon Phanom Royal Thai Air Force Base, Chaplain Clark presented the Distinguished Flying Cross to Major Bobby Sears of Rockwall, Texas, for heroism over North Viet Nam.

STATE MISSIONS

Every Sunday School Urged To Participate

By Bryant Cummings
Director
Sunday School Department

Sunday, September 15 will be the suggested day for local churches in our state to observe "State Missions Day in the Sunday School".

Every Sunday School in every church in Mississippi is being urged to participate in a State Missions Day emphasis and recognition through the Sunday School.

Here is a marvelous opportunity for a large number of our adults, young people, and children to be involved in our state mission work and receive information and inspiration concerning state missions in Mississippi.

Special State Missions Day materials have been prepared for Sunday School officers and teachers in the planning and promotion of State Mission Day in the local Sunday Schools.

The State Sunday School Department in Mississippi has provided a four page leaflet which will offer program suggestions and information for Sunday School leadership and members concerning state missions in Mississippi as it relates to the Crusade of the Americas.

These leaflets have three alternate program suggestions. Program A is recommended for a class Sunday School assembly where all ages meet together. This information involves some 15 minutes in an assembly time and could be used effectively by any class Sunday School.

Program B has suggestions

for a department Sunday School with some 15 minutes recommended for this assembly program in the various departments.

Program C contains suggestions for Nursery, Beginner, and Primary department Superintendents. Some brief program ideas are provided for these Elementary Superintendents and their workers with the elementary children on State Mission Day.

Write To Department

Pastors or general Sunday School Superintendents may write the State Sunday School Department, Post Office Box 530, Jackson, Mississippi 39205

for additional copies of this State Mission Day leaflet.

Church and Sunday School leaders will also want to refer to the September issue of the Sunday School Builder on page 47 under the September 15 program. This program suggestion is titled, "We Believe in State Missions".

Churches and Sunday Schools may desire to secure State Mission offering envelopes by writing to the Sunday School Department address as indicated above. A bulk supply of these envelopes is available and will be sent to any local church upon request.

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simply have not developed. For example, one of the most critical items in initiating the new work—the church pastoral aid that permits trained, qualified personnel to go to a yet undeveloped field—depended heavily on Annie Armstrong Offering receipts.

The 1968 offering of \$5½ million was pushed higher than the average increase and the last \$1 million in receipts was to go to Project 500 church pastoral aid. In other words, however much over \$4½ million is received is to go to Project 500.

Projections now indicate that, even though the Annie Armstrong Offering receipts will reflect a fair increase over 1967, only about \$200,000 will be available to Project 500.

In similar regard, the 1969 offering goal of \$6½ million provides that the last \$1½ million go to Project 500. Mission officials are taking no chances of overextending themselves, however; they

that they will receive only \$500,000 and hoping for more.

Home Fellowships Begun

In 1968, the hoped for \$400,000 from Cooperative Program receipts turned out to be \$100,000. In 1969 there will be no money from Cooperative Program receipts earmarked for Project 500, with the exception of that for church site loan funds, Corder said.

Missionaries in pioneer areas, where Baptist work is new and relatively small, are continuing to start home fellowships in Project 500 locations, assuring the start of some form of ministry and preparing the groundwork for the day that resources are available.

"Probably 65 or 70 of our men—either pastors or missionaries—have related already to Project 500 locations by starting home fellowships," said Jack Redford, associate in the Home Mission Board's pioneer missions department.

"Regardless of finances, this project has made us re-focus on the value of starting churches for the sake of starting churches."

Redford said one mission pastor, Ralph Whicher, had been processed and approved by the Home Mission Board for appointment to Oakdale, Conn., and was to receive church pastoral aid to supplement his salary until the tiny mission congregation could support him.

When the cutback in such support became evident, Whicher chose to go anyway and is supporting himself by working in a sheet-metal plant.

Several other Project 500 congregations in what the Home Mission Board called rural-urban areas (rural areas and towns under 50,000) are being led by military personnel and other laymen.

Corder said Project 500 locations will continue to get priority, even though many new efforts will get only limited assistance and many others will have to be delayed.

Tanner Accepts College Position

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First Church in Gulfport has made substantial progress under the leadership of Dr. Tanner. The new \$1,200,000 church building was planned and constructed during this time.

The church budget increased from \$225,000 in 1964 to \$270,000 this year. Membership has grown from 3022 in 1964 to 3468 the past year, with significant gains recorded in the church organizations.

The past year there have been 330 additions to the church, with 80 of these by baptism.

Dr. Tanner recently received the Th.D. degree from Southwestern Baptist Seminary with his thesis being on "Philosophy of Religion."

He also holds the B.A. degree from Baylor University, the Master and Doctor of Education degrees from the University of Houston and the B.D. from Southwestern.

Dr. Tanner has been active in denominational affairs, both in the state and the SBC.

He is a member of the Board of Trustees of Wm. Carey College as well as the Southern Baptist Hospitals.

Dr. Tanner has also served on various committees in the State Convention and has spoken at numerous district and state meetings.

Dr. Tanner, a Rotarian, has been listed in Who's Who in Colleges and Universities in America.



Dr. Wm. G. Tanner

DR. LAWRENCE DIES AT 97

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"Few men who have the qualities of frugality and firmness to guide an agency through an arduous period of debt payment also have the qualities of vision and aggressiveness necessary to project a program of advance. Lawrence had these qualities," Rutledge observed.

Before coming to the mission agency, Lawrence had been a pastor, an editor, a college president (Oklahoma Baptist University, 1922-26), and the executive secretary of three Baptist state mission boards—Louisiana Baptist Convention, Mississippi Baptist Convention Board, and the Baptist General Association of Missouri. During his lifetime he wrote 22 books.

He was editor of the Baptist state paper of Louisiana when it was called The Baptist Chronicle (it is now the Baptist Message) from 1908-1912. He was also editor of Home Missions magazine for several years.

He was the top executive for the Mississippi Convention from 1913-21; the Missouri convention from 1926-29; and the Louisiana Convention, 1907-1909.

As a pastor, he led Baptist churches in Greenwood, Miss., Humboldt, Tenn., and the First Baptist Churches of New Orleans and Shawnee, Okla. He was vice president of the Southern Baptist Convention in 1916-17.

John Benjamin Lawrence was born in Florence, Miss., in 1871, and earned his bachelor and masters degrees from Mississippi College at Clinton. Later, Louisiana College at Pineville and Oklahoma Baptist University at Shawnee gave him honorary doctoral degrees. He also was listed in Who's Who in America.

He is survived by his widow, Helen Huston Lawrence; four daughters, Mrs. R. D. Anderson of Columbia, South Carolina; Mrs. Ray Ballard of Detroit; Mrs. Elizabeth Syfan and Mrs. John Blevins, both of Atlanta; seven grandchildren and several great grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at 3:00 p. m. Sunday, Sept. 8, at the Morningside Baptist Church, Atlanta, with pastor James Westberry officiating, assisted by Courts Redford of Bolivar, Mo., who succeeded Lawrence at the mission agency and by Joe Burton of Nashville, a former editorial associate to Lawrence now with the Baptist Sunday School Board in Nashville.

State Missions In Action

Student Work

The Mississippi Baptist Student Convention stimulates interest in, strengthens, and unifies the work of the Baptist Student Unions in the state. It furnishes opportunities for intercollegiate Christian fellowship and supplies missionary projects and other activities for all Mississippi Baptist students.

Its officers (below) represent different types of schools and geographical sections of the state and include a faculty member, pastor, local director, and state director. The state director is Rev. Ralph Winders.



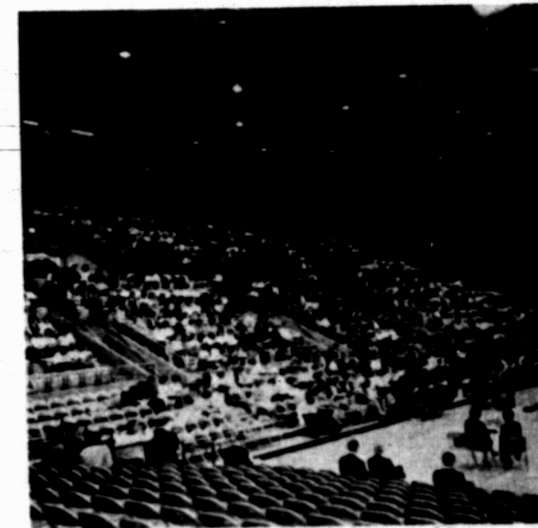
Students gather at Hinds Junior College Baptist Student Center—a Baptist-owned building near the campus, providing a place for Christian fellowship, wholesome recreation, private and group worship, Bible study, and a counseling ministry. The Center (above) is a headquarters for the Baptist Student Union (a facility for use by daily commuters, a beachhead for campus approach, a place where "everybody is somebody.")



Church Music



Assistance to ministers of music in Mississippi is provided by the Church Music Department. These men are encouraged to help other churches in their associations as they are needed. Shown above are the "Singing Churchmen of Mississippi" rehearsing for a performance at the state Baptist convention, in First Church, Jackson. Dan Hall at left, leading the music, is director, state Music Department.



The State Junior Choral Festival is held annually in the state Coliseum in Jackson. Musicians from across the state enjoy this happy event.

Woman's Missionary Union

The Maintenance of Camp Garaywa, provided by State Missions. The investment of three quarters of a million dollars is "maintained" by State Missions.

More than 2,500 young people spend time at Garaywa. Leadership meetings for adults annually draw more than 2,000.



Garaywa provides the place and State Missions provides the finances for a 5-day camp for Indian girls and women and a 5-day camp for Indian boys. The campers pay \$2.00 each and State Missions provides for the other finances involved. Dr. Edwin Robinson is State executive secretary, WMU.



Woman's Missionary Union has the responsibility and privilege of working alongside the Department of Work with National Baptists, especially with Negro women and Negro girls. Two camps for girls were held at Sophia Sutton Assembly this summer. Each year there is special emphasis for Negro women. Program plans and personnel are financed by an item in State Missions.

State Missions Day Is Real Opportunity For Every Church

By Bill R. Baker
Pastor, First Church
Cahoon City

State Missions Day gives churches a wonderful opportunity to consider the components in the commission of Christ.

These components are: Evangelical—make disciples of all men; Ceremonial—baptizing them; and Educational—teaching them.

The singular assignment of making Jesus Christ known, loved and obeyed around the world has been given to the church.

There are some things which should be affirmed constantly by the congregation, and the intention of Jesus for the church is one of them.

State Missions Day also gives churches a wonderful opportunity to consider its progress in implementing the commission of Christ. The church at Thessalonica was not a perfect church, but it is

remembered because of its missions emphasis.

Paul said of this church, "For from you sounded out the word of the Lord not only in Macedonia and Achaia, but also in every place your faith to God—ward is spread abroad."

The success or failure of any congregation must be determined by the success or failure in implementing the commission of Christ.

The missionary program in many congregations could be enhanced if two problems were rectified. For a long time Baptists have spoken of the mission arms of the church when referring to the Woman's Missionary Union and the Brotherhood.

With this emphasis, there has been a tendency to leave the mission work to the arms. This is the first problem. It is time for the entire body to become missionary.

The church is not an institu-

tion with a missions emphasis. It is Missions! Too many in the church relegate the appeal and promotion of missions to the WMU.

State Missions Day affords a wonderful opportunity to emphasize the fact that the entire congregation must be missionary, not just some organization within the church.

Second Problem Seen The second problem to be rectified is the fact that the response to missions is often determined by the distance of the need. The farther away the need, the greater the interest.

Listen to the prayers of the people as they include a request for the missionaries who are far away while seldom making mention of the state mission work. Go with the crowds to the World Missions Conference and hear the missionary who works in another country, then attend the next night with the small handful

to hear the state missionary. Observe the enthusiastic response to an offering for Foreign missions compared to the sluggish response to the appeal for state missions. Is the church saying that what is done in the name of Jesus thousands of miles away more important than what is done in Mississippi?

It is easy for one to get his eyes on the other countries of the world and fail to see this state. State Missions Day gives churches a wonderful opportunity to consider the need in Mississippi.

Paul worked for several years as a missionary in his home of Tarsus before leaving for other places. Perhaps his success at home resulted in opportunities away from home. Barnabas was concerned about his home; therefore, at the outset of the first missionary journey, he went home to Cyprus. It is inconceivable that one could really be concerned about the needs in other places until he is first concerned about the needs at home. Perhaps the State Missions Day this year will cause many to hear the words of Jesus, "Go home to thy friends and tell them."

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JOE T. ODLE, Editor

Undergirding The Crusade Of The Americas

The year 1969 is the year of the Crusade of the Americas. Almost everything that Southern Baptists and many other Baptist groups in North and South America are doing right now, is pointing to this great crusade with its effort to bring revival to America and the world.

One of the preparations which can be made this very month, which will help undergird this mighty Baptist witnessing effort, is to make the offering for State Missions the largest ever taken in Mississippi, and the Week of Prayer for State Missions sponsored by the WMU the most effective the state ever has known.

What relationship does State Missions have to the Crusade of the Americas? Quoting the Bible, "Much every way." If the Crusade of the Americas is really to succeed it must reach every nation, every state, every community and every individual in the Americas. While we are deeply concerned about what happens across the rest of the United States and the entire two continents, our first and major concern must be our own state and the very communities where we live. While we have much responsibility for those in other states and countries, we have full responsibility for those in Mississippi. If revival is to come to us, it will not merely be the overflow from other areas, but must start in the hearts and lives of our own Baptist people, through our churches, our associations and our convention and its agencies.

That is why State Missions has such a vital part to play in this Crusade. This phase of our denominational program is concerned with reaching all people of Mississippi for Christ. It includes evangelism, direct missions, stewardship and the cooperation of the churches, the associations and conventions in plans and programs to reach all people of the state, now unreached. All races and all ages are included in the program.

State Missions seeks to strengthen the churches and enlist every Baptist in winning the lost and in bringing them into the life of the church and the work of the kingdom.

Mississippi long has given splendid support to the whole State Mission program directed by the State Convention. Never has it been more important that all Mississippi Baptists give their utmost to this mission program than right now.

John Benjamin Lawrence

The news wires tell of the death of Dr. J. B. Lawrence in Atlanta, Ga. For almost a quarter of a century the name of J. B. Lawrence was synonymous with Southern Baptist Home Missions, for he led that great agency for 24 years. He became secretary of the Home Mission Board in one of the most tragic and critical hours of its history and led it until it was doing some of the most far-reaching work of the more than one hundred years of its existence. Certainly, the greatest work of his life was this period.

However, Mississippians must also remember that Dr. Lawrence was a Mississippian by birth and education, and early utilization of his great leadership abilities was given to this state. From 1914 to 1921 he was Corresponding Secretary, (now Executive Secretary) of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board.

In his history of Mississippi Baptists the late Dr. J. L. Boyd said concerning Dr. Lawrence: "The new secretary was young and energetic, and brought to the responsible place many consecrated talents, and proved to be a responsible leader in the denominational ranks at a time when wise leadership was needed. Mississippi Baptists were coming out of narrow limits into a broad place."

Dr. Boyd says that under the direction of the State Convention "distinct and definite changes" were made in the state mission work. "The most important of these was the dividing of the Convention Board into departments," which was affected during the very first year of the administration of Dr. Lawrence.

Dr. Boyd adds, "Enlistment became the battlecry, and the new secretary went up and down the land, in city, town and country-side, summoning with eloquent appeal and animated zeal the Baptist hosts of the state to the challenging task of making Mississippi a Baptist empire." There was great growth and development of the work during the years of his leadership.

Dr. Lawrence became secretary of the Home Mission Board in 1929, when the tragic theft of a million dollars of Home Mission funds by a former trusted employee had just been revealed, and the Board was faced with bankruptcy. Moreover the great depression of the thirties was just beginning. With unquenchable faith and heroic devotion he assumed the almost impossible task of saving the Board, leading it out of the morass of debt and threatened ruin, and forward into the greatest program of its history. Some of us can remember those difficult days, and the tireless efforts of this great man. "Trust God and tell the people" became the slogan of the Board. In the early forties the debts finally were all paid, and expansion once more began. By the time Dr. Lawrence retired in 1953 the whole program had been reestablished, and expansion across America had begun. At that time nearly 1,000 missionaries were under appointment.

The last time we remember seeing Dr. Lawrence was a few years ago when he came back to Mississippi to visit his boyhood home in Rankin County, Mississippi College where he had been educated, and the Baptist

Building. Even then, he already was in his nineties, and was amazingly agile for a man of that age.

Mississippians can thank God that He gave her this son to bless her own work, and then to share with other states and all Southern Baptists, a ministry that will live on until the Lord returns.

GUEST EDITORIAL

A Pastor Speaks Out

(from the Church "Mallor" of a California Church)

Well, out it comes at last — I'm going to say it. I'm proud to be a Christian, and happy to express that Christian faith through Southern Baptist channels.

I'm getting tired—really, really tired of the tireless research, insearch, and self-condemnation that appears in survey reports sifted into Southern Baptist circles through the numerous periodicals an commission reports of Southern Baptist "officialdom." I'm tired... really tired... of articles that seek to tar me and my Southern Baptist brothers and sisters with a common brush that brands me as "unconcerned" about the various social ills of an irresponsible world of people. I'm not unconcerned... I'm just fed up! I'm not ashamed of Southern Baptist churches, members, programs of ministry, methods of teaching God's Word, or our search for numbers!

Last week we ministered to a family in need. We didn't join any of the community, state or federal organizations that "protect poor people"; we just helped a family in need.

In our budget we provide a "preaching-teaching-fellowship" ministry to Mexican Americans. We don't make the Religious News or Television publicity with this; we just do it in Jesus' name for this minority group.

This past week in VBS in one of our elementary departments as "the pastor" was being hugged and squeezed, through the circle of white, I looked down to see a "little dark girl"... she was hugging me harder than all the rest. (There are several more in the total school — and a community of Negroes were invited.) This, too, still not receive notice from the "guilt-ridden, soul searchers" among the self-hating Baptist brothers... but we minister to this minority race in Jesus' name.

Each week a church ministry is shared with the Deaf in our community. This group of handicapped meets with futility in an "arms wide open, love-everybody-the-same world", but in our church we share together, the deaf and the hearing, to minister to one another, in Jesus' name. We don't feel heroic about it... it comes as natural as "love thy neighbor as thyself" or "as you have done it unto one of the least of these, my brethren, you have done it (ministered) to me."

I'm glad God saved me and led me to become a Southern Baptist, just so I could do "what comes naturally" as a Christian.

Relieved!



Knowledge itself is a part of being human. When one is deprived of it, a fundamental thrust is aimed at his dignity. (Saturday Review)

The Senate approved in July a \$14.1 billion expanded program of aid to higher education.

The Higher Education Act provides federal funds to help solve community education problems, to strengthen university and college libraries, to support institutions which lack the funds to reach their potential, to provide grants for low-income students, to state scholarship programs and for a guaranteed loans program for students.

The Higher Educational Facilities Act provides matching grants and loans for construction, rehabilitation and improvement of classrooms, laboratories, libraries, and other academic facilities.

The National Defense Education Act includes the student loan program under which the Federal Government provides 90 percent and the states 10 percent.

Interest on the loans does not begin until the student has finished his studies. Payments on the principal are deferred and interest cancelled for up to three years while the student is in the armed services, and the Peace Corps or VISTA.

The program also authorizes grants to elementary and secondary schools for purchase of equipment; provides a graduate fellowship program; and covers a program to increase the study of foreign languages.

New Children's Home In Texas

TYLER, Tex. (BP) — In a unique arrangement, Green Acres Baptist Church here and Buckner Baptist Benevolences of Dallas, have jointly established the Green Acres Home, a foster group home for dependent children here.

It is believed to be the first home of this type sponsored by a church.

R. C. Campbell, president of the Buckner Baptist Benevolences System, called it a completely new innovation in small group child care.

Church Members Must Give More or else—



French Baptists Consider Needs Of Youth, Tourists

Delegates to the annual congress of the French Baptist Federation, meeting in Chauny, in northeastern France, during the national political crisis, were exhorted to Christian action on social problems and the needs of restless youth.

With public transportation halted by strikes and motor fuel getting scarcer by the hour, Baptists arrived at Chauny in car pools from as far as Marseilles, on the Mediterranean coast, according to the European Baptist Press Service.

Federation President Andre Thobois (pastor of Avenue du Maine Baptist Church in Paris) had to give his annual report with incomplete statistics on membership, baptisms, and similar items, for with the postal system shut down by strikes, much of the information he needed had failed to reach him. A preliminary report on French Baptists' nationwide evangelism campaign in March was delayed for the same reason.

Mr. Thobois pointed out Baptist responsibility in regard to youth, stating that 40 percent of the population of France, or 21,000,000 persons, are under the age of 20. The congress adopted a resolution

asking that a study be made of French Baptists' youth work and a report presented at next year's session.

Mr. Thobois also urged Baptists to take an interest in ministering to the millions of tourists who visit France each year.

In the closing address of the congress, Pastor Robert Somerville, of Antony (a Paris suburb), declared that while Baptists have long championed religious liberty, they have been weak in speaking out for peace, in combating racism, and in attacking other evils that divide the world.

The congress passed resolutions requesting a study of ways of cooperating with other Protestant church groups and with Bible societies and calling for more regional Baptist conferences, in contrast to national meetings.

THE BIBLE SPEAKS TO OUR TIMES by Alan Redpath (Revell) 128 pp., \$3.50

Sermons on the problems, needs and concerns of our time, by one of the better known conservative preachers on the American scene. Dr. Redpath is pastor of Chicago's famed Moody Memorial Church.

THE BROADMAN MINISTER'S MANUAL by Franklin M. Segler (Broadman Press, 154 pp.)

This manual for ministers, compiled by a Southwestern Seminary professor, is meant to provide aid for ministers and others responsible for leading in worship, administering church ordinances, ministering to the sick, and for a general visitation ministry and counseling. There are chapters on conducting weddings and funerals, and on ordination of deacons. Dr. Segler says, "This manual of services has grown out of a background of over twenty years of ministry in local churches and sixteen years of teaching young ministers in the seminary."

USING THE LECTURE IN TEACHING AND TRAINING by Leroy Ford, illustrated by Doug Dillard (Broadman, paperback, 127 pp.)

This is a valuable tool for all who lecture — Sunday school and other teachers, those in leadership positions — on how to decide when to lecture and how to do it effectively and in an interesting way. Ford is a professor at Southwestern Seminary. Dillard's cartoons are as delightful and as whimsical as usual.

RELIGION & MEDICINE. Essays on Meaning, Values, and Health. Edited by David Beligum, Ph. D., (Iowa State University Press, Ames, Iowa)

The author presents a symposium of twenty-three research papers and essays on the relationships between religion and medicine. Written by an imposing array of psychologists, psychiatrists, a professor of internal medicine, and theologians trained in pastoral psychology, the material offers expert guidance in understanding the "inter-twining threads that pull together into one the physical, mental, and spiritual fabric of the human being. This is beneficial to every person active in the community of healing. For instance, if the view of mental disorder is solely biochemical, the use of drugs would be considered sufficient. Favorable as results often are, one writer quotes an observant nurse as saying, "Giving drugs without giving love is of no lasting benefit at

all. The patient still has his problems; he still is frightened and insecure; he still feels isolated, rejected, forsaken by God and man." Guilt and meaninglessness (lack of identity) are presented as factors affecting health. The treatment of these two is presented in case studies. The book is enthusiastically recommended. — Reviewed by Joseph N. Triplett

SOUTHERN BAPTISTS IN CHRISTIAN EDUCATION by H. I. Hester (Education Commission, SBC, 100 pp., \$1.50)

The author is former Vice-president of William Jewell College in Missouri, and Midwestern Seminary. This history of Southern Baptist educational activities continues the story to the present day. It also tells of the Education Commission and the Association of Baptist Schools and of the work which they do. One chapter tells of notable leaders in Baptist education and the final chapter presents Southern Baptist education as it stands today. The appendix gives statistical reports of Southern Baptist colleges and schools. A very good survey of a subject which is so important to Southern Baptists right now as they face the most serious problems in their history of providing Christian education.

SOURCE BOOK FOR SPEAKERS by Eleanor Doan (Zondervan, 407 pp., \$5.95)

A collection of 4,000 illustrations, quotations, sayings, axioms, anecdotes, poetry and sentence sermons arranged alphabetically by subject. A usable collection of fresh new material. The author has done an outstanding job in preparing this reference book which we predict will be often used.

POEMS OF PROTEST & FAITH by Calvin Miller (Baker, 95 pp., \$1.50)

A young Baptist pastor writes poetry of unusual quality and power. The poems cover a wide range of subjects, and many moods, but reveal the poetic ability of this young man. Some readers may be disturbed by some of the poems, but we suggest that they keep reading, for before finishing the book they will find much that they do agree with, and an individual may find himself or his church ple

tured in the process. General divisions are The Protest, Reflections, The Good Land, Esoteric, Portraits, Men of the Cloth, and The Parables. This is a book of poetry of outstanding quality, which the lover of poetry will pick up again and again.

YOU AND YOUR BIBLE by R. A. Torrey (Baker, 220 pp., \$3.50)

Reprint of a book first published several years ago. There are sixteen chapters providing selections from several of Dr. Torrey's books on the Bible and its message. This book will be very helpful to those who have had doubts raised by modern liberal attitudes concerning the inspiration of the Bible.

DISILLUSIONED WORLD by William P. Lippard (Exposition, 320 pp., \$5.00)

A man who served for half a century as a distinguished editor and religious leader takes an analytic look at the past fifty years of world history which he characterizes as a period of Upheaval, Disillusionment, Blunders, etc. He discusses American History, the United Nations, Communism, Racial Problems, and other issues. There are special chapters on Protestants and Baptists. The closing chapter suggests ways to "end the disillusionment," but as one reads the suggestions he knows that most of them will not come to pass. Dr. Lippard shows his own ecumenical leanings, very strongly, and few Southern Baptists will agree with much that he says.

INSIDE JERUSALEM—CITY OF DESTINY by Arnold T. Olson (Regal Books, 241 pp., paperback, 95c)

The author was in Jerusalem just days before the six-day war of 1967, and then returned there after the war was over. He discusses Jerusalem and the Jewish people from the Bible, from history, from prophecy, and from other points of view. The book will help any reader to understand why Jerusalem is so important in the thinking of the Jew and also why it must be considered by Christians who love the Bible and are interested in its prophetic message. This is a most helpful book in this hour of amazing events in the Holy Land.



It is possible to stop unwanted films from being shown. Miami Beach's Leroy C. Griffith has been thwarted in his efforts to operate an "adult" motion picture theatre in Jacksonville Beach, Fla.

A circuit court has ruled that the beach city council has the authority to deny the license asked by Griffith. The entire muscle of the Jacksonville Beach city government was arrayed against him and his plan.

When Griffith tried to open, water and electricity to the building were cut off and Griffith was denied a license to operate. Faced with the city's determination, backed by the courts, Griffith has erased all the "adult" trappings from the Beach Theatre and reapplied for a city license. The theatre manager said, "I'll even show Mickey Mouse cartoons to get in business." (Variety, 7-31-68)

Day by day the mountain of weapons grows fatter and higher. (Nations have in reserve the equivalent of 30,000 pounds of TNT for every man, woman, and child in the world.) Even if only one-fourth of these weapons were detonated, the planet could be poisoned and pulverized beyond the ability of man to cleanse or repair.

The assumption that the human race is secure because such power is in the hands of governments is not a safe assumption. Governments are run by men. There is no way of making the seats of power throughout the world open only to those men who have deep convictions about the preciousness of life and who can exercise limitless restraint in the face of limitless provocation or opportunity.

The control of violence depends on the number and quality of the men who are willing to lend themselves to it. This has always been the case. Human progress inevitably depends on enough men defining the values they want to live by and then backing up those standards by wise and appropriate means. (Saturday Review, 6-22-68)

Calendar of Prayer

(This list is not compiled according to birthdays.)

September 16 — Warren Trussell, Lowndes County Training Union director; Lorie Smith McElroy, Clarke College faculty.

September 17 — E. F. Hicks, trustee, Christian Action Commission; M. F. Rayburn, trustee, Christian Action Commission.

September 18 — Claude Townsend, president, Mississippi Baptist Convention; Mrs. Joyce Wilkerson, medical-surgical instructor, Gilfooy School of Nursing.

September 19 — Louie Farmer, Jr., Baptist student director, University of Southern Mississippi; W. P. Blair, Smith County supt. of missions.

September 20 — Carlyn Moore, Susan Thorne, Alan Johnston, Yvonne White, Baptist Building summer employees.

September 21 — Fannie Havard, staff, Children's Village; Mrs. Sarah Washburn, faculty, Blue Mountain College.

September 22 — Mrs. Elma A. McWilliams, Wm. Carey College faculty; Norman O'Neal, Mississippi College faculty.

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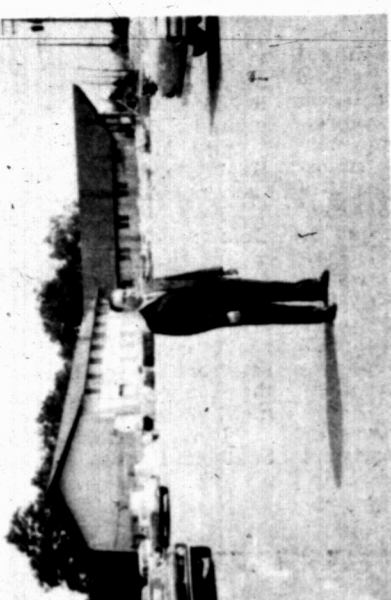


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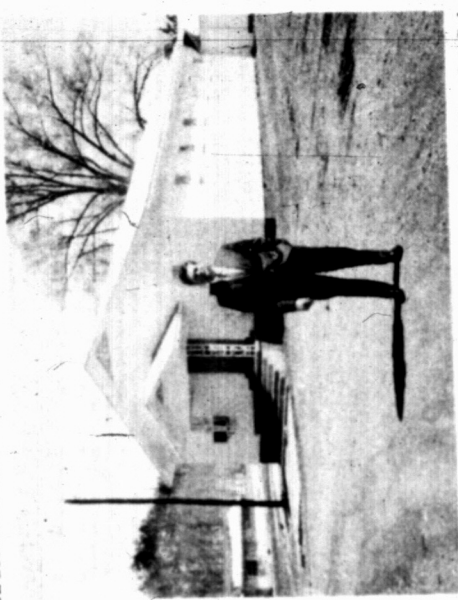
COOPERATIVE PROGRAM REPORT

Ten Months Ending August 28, 1968

Prepared By Stewardship Department



Robinson Street Baptist Church, Jackson, Rev. John McDaniel, pastor, used THE FORWARD PROGRAM in their financial emphasis this year. The budget was increased from \$70,000.00 to \$90,000.00. Receipts for the first six months are \$4,300.00 over the new budget requirement. Shown under contribution is a new \$50 seat auditorium.



During the month of May, Ellard Baptist Church, Calhoun Association, had TITHERS ENROLMENT WEEK. The Demonstration Day Offering was \$273.00 compared with an average weekly offering of \$154.00 for the previous year. Rev. J. L. Jones is pastor.

Budget

Inter-

pretation

One of the areas of partnership development that is extremely weak in most churches is budget interpretation.

The average member does not understand what he or she is being asked to give their tithe for.

One example of what a better job of interpretation can do is Ridgecrest Baptist Church, Jackson.

The Ridgecrest Church has used the FORWARD PROGRAM every year for the last 10 years.

This year the budget goal was \$192,000.00 and the church members pledged \$214,000.00, an increase of \$24,000.00.

The only major difference in the budget campaign this year was budget interpretation.

The pastor, Dr. Earl Kelly, wrote out the story of the budget, put the script on tape, and

A copy of Dr. Kelly's script is available free from the Stewardship Department.

"Frankly, without the Cooperative Program, we would not be" here. For a balance of all our work, I am for the Cooperative Program."—Valda Long, Missionary to Nigeria

"All of us here realize how much we depend upon the Cooperative Program. Without it our ministry would not last long. We feel it is the lifeline which sustains our work." — John Raborn, Missionary to Hong Kong.

First, McLaurin, Rev. A. T. Walker, pastor, reports on his recent stewardship emphasis: "Although giving has almost doubled in the last year, the stewardship program added a good number to the list of tithers, and the offering for July, 1968, was \$330.28 over the offering for July of 1967. Our people have responded well to the TITHERS ENROLMENT WEEK program."

TITHE TO TELL

August Cooperative Program	\$ 259,609.71
Year To Date	2,980,853.24
Budget To Date	3,074,200.00
UNDER Goal To Date	93,347.00
This Time Last Year	2,727,170.05
OVER Last Year	253,683.19

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Tishomingo Chapel Baptist Church, Corinth, used TITLERS ENROLLMENT WEEK in May. This was the first year that the church had emphasized the church. Pastor Guy Culver says, "We are thrilled beyond the words. The Demonstration Day offering was \$60.00 above the yearly average and we have new titheers in the church."

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JOT, Southern Baptists' animated cartoon character continues to soar toward stardom on national television. Currently being televised on 40 stations, JOT drew over 20,000 letters last month from excited children and grateful parents. Ruth Byers, pictured here at her desk, has been the writer-producer of JOT since 1961. Dr. and Mrs. Ernest H. Byers, Jr. are residents of Galveston, Texas, and are active members of the First Baptist Church there. Mrs. Byers is the former director of the Dallas Children's Theatre Center. JOT is produced by the Radio-TV Commission.

Mail Response To "Jot" Prompts Volunteer Help

FORT WORTH (BP)—Response to the Southern Baptist television cartoon series "JOT" has been so heavy that crews of volunteers from several Southern Baptist churches in the Fort Worth - Dallas area have been enlisted to help handle the mail.

During the month of July, the Southern Baptist Radio and Television Commission which produces "JOT" received 22,000 letters. On a single day in August, more than 3,200 letters arrived here. The average is well over 1,000 letters per day.

In an effort to reply to the huge mail response, groups of volunteers from 15 churches in the Fort Worth - Dallas area, especially women from the Women's Missionary Union organizations of the churches, have responded with needed help.

Radio - Television Commission officials say that the mail response to "JOT" is even increasing with nation-wide publicity. Newsweek magazine, for example, carried an article in August describing "JOT" as "the first genuinely entertaining — and effective

—use of television for preaching morality to pre-teen children."

"JOT" is a color cartoon series featuring an animated "dot" who bounces cheerfully across the television screen and confronts moral problems similar to those of the boys and girls who watch the program.

At the conclusion of each program, "JOT" offers each viewer a "surprise" if they will write to "JOT" in Fort Worth.

Since the series was released last January over nine stations, filling requests for the "surprise" has presented problems for the short-staffed commission. Since then, the number of stations showing "JOT" has been increased to 40, and the mail volume has increased tremendously.

Lacking both the staff and funds to cope with such a response, the commission considered discontinuing the surprise. Writer - producer Ruth Byers, however, designed a surprise packet, which includes a Bible verse game as a means of following up the spiritual messages in the cartoons. This was regarded as too important a part of the "JOT" ministry to be sacrificed.

Crews of 10 to 25 women from WMU organizations and other groups in 15 area churches have been helping mail the "JOT" surprises. The groups assemble and address more than 1,000 surprises during their once-a-week work sessions.



Harry L. Barnes

Myers Memorial Ordains Barnes

At the request of South Oak Grove Church of Fruitdale, Alabama, the Myers Memorial Church of Eight Mile, Alabama ordained Harry L. Barnes on Sunday night, August 18, to the gospel ministry.

The ordination sermon was delivered by Dr. John H. Thomas, Jr., Associate Professor of Religion at Mobile College, interim pastor of Myers Memorial. The charge to the candidate and his church was given by Rev. William D. Laseter, ministerial student of Mobile College. A Thompson Chain Reference Bible was presented by B. E. Turner, chairman of deacons, in behalf of Myers Memorial.

Barnes, a student at Mobile College, is serving as pastor of South Oak Grove Church. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Barnes, 831 Colonial Circle, Jackson, and is married to the former Theda Windham of Beptonia. Mr. and Mrs. Barnes reside with their three daughters, Cindy, Donna and Kathleen, at 1811 Myers Road, Eight Mile, Alabama.

William Jewell Retired Aug. 31

LIBERTY, Mo. (BP)—H. Guy Moore, president of William Jewell College (Baptist) here since 1962, said he would retire effective Aug. 31, and the college trustees elected B. G. Olson, executive vice president, as acting president.

Moore, 59, said he would like to return to the service of pastoral ministry or some related vocation, but was not prepared to announce his immediate plans. He said he hopes to have time to write, lecture and travel.

He and Mrs. Moore returned recently from a month-long tour of Europe, Moore said, when he had time to consider his future.

Before coming to the Baptist college here, Moore was for 15 years pastor of Broadway Baptist Church, Fort Worth. Previously he was pastor of Baptist churches in Kansas City and St. Louis, Missouri.

A native of Illinois, he is a graduate of William Jewell and Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville. William Jewell awarded him an honorary doctor of divinity degree in 1945.

Woman's Missionary Union Supports State Missions

By Miss Edwina Robinson
State WMU Secretary

The importance of state missions is obvious when we remember that it lies at the basis of all our missionary operations. It registers our interests in all missionary endeavor and furnishes the resources for a worldwide movement in carrying the gospel to all lands.

Besides, the obligation to begin at Jerusalem and reach out in Judea is pressing because of the needs within our own borders. Weak churches must be helped, new churches must be organized and the people without Christ must have the offer of life.

It is the purpose of State Missions to compass this end. Woman's Missionary Union wants to be an assuring support in meeting the needs of this work.

However gratifying the results of past years efforts, it must be remembered that they are vastly below the needs of the field and measure only a modicum of our possibilities, were our forces stirred to activity.

Support means to advocate, to strengthen, to implement. Woman's Missionary Union is an advocate of state missions—we stand along with all Mississippi Baptists in our concern for our state and in our effort to arouse our churches to action.

If every Mississippi Baptist would deepen the stakes where he lives and strengthen his part of the field—the "together task" of state missions would be moved forward mightily. There are things that we can do better together than we can individually and state missions gives us this opportunity. However, our together effort is more meaningful and far reaching if our individual witness is more positive.

Woman's Missionary Union seeks to implement the plans for concern which leads to intelligent prayer, which must find expression in giving. Giving first of self, where we live and giving that others might go where we cannot make a personal witness.

State Missions is foundation.

Oklahoma Baptists Name Associate In Brotherhood Office

OKLAHOMA CITY (BP)—Henry Chennault, director of National Baptist work for the Baptist General Convention of Oklahoma, has been named associate secretary in the convention's department of brotherhood.

work, and he who helps state missions helps every good cause dear to the heart of our Lord. This truth is compelling. The whole structure of World Missions is endangered when we do not build the foundations in our state on broad lines, noble dimensions and great solidity.

Surely Woman's Missionary Union's concern over state

missions should fruit in accelerated interest, in deepened concern, in intensified efforts and enlarged gifts to meet the multiplied needs of our state.

The Crusade of the Americas gives us the opportunity to concentrate on our Judea with the strength and support of other Baptists on these two continents.



Tommy L. Rowell

Is Licensed To Ministry

Tommy Lee Rowell was recently licensed to preach by the Fair Ridge Church of Stringer, in Jasper County, Rev. James Lightsey, pastor.

The son of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Rowell, he is a graduate of Stringer High School, where he was awarded two scholarships, the Hall of Fame, and the American Legion Award. He plans to enter Jones Junior College as a freshman this fall.

Mrs. Fancher's Poem Printed In 'Royal Service'

A poem by Mrs. James Fancher of Aberdeen has been published in the September issue of *Royal Service*.

Published by Southern Baptist Woman's Missionary Union, *Royal Service* has almost 500,000 subscribers.

Mrs. Fancher's poem is entitled "O Master, Let Me Walk With Thee." It is based on the hymn by the same title. It was originally written as a meditation for district Woman's Missionary Union meetings in Mississippi.

Mrs. Fancher is the wife of the pastor of First Church, Aberdeen. The mother of three children, she holds a Master's degree in English from Mississippi State College for Women.

"This month I help four persons be born again and accept Christ as their Saviour," reported Josue Ortiz, home missionary to the Spanish-speaking in Oregon.



VISITING SPEAKERS and platform guests share the joy of pastor and congregation of First Baptist Church, Lome, Togo, during activities celebrating the completion of their new building. The structure, described by some as "the most beautiful church in Togo," is located on the main boulevard of the capital city, where Southern Baptist missionaries began work in the country in 1964.—(Photo by Billy L. Bullington)

Togo Baptists Dedicate Building, Give Thanks

"The most beautiful church building in Togo" is the way Togolese describe the recently dedicated building of the First Baptist Church of Lome, capital of the West African nation. Representatives of churches in Lome and of the national and city governments, as well as Baptist leaders from Nigeria, Ghana, and the United States, shared in the July 21 dedication ceremony, reports Southern Baptist

missionary Billy L. Bullington. Dr. Edwina Robinson, director, Mississippi Woman's Missionary Union, was there, enroute to the Baptist World Alliance committee meeting in Monrovia, Liberia.

The occasion was climaxed with a message by Dr. J. T. Ayorinde, general secretary of the Nigerian Baptist Convention. Choirs from several churches in the city presented special music.

A week of activities following the dedication of the new building was ended with a thanksgiving service. Dr. Baker J. Cauthen, executive secretary of the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board, and Mrs. Cauthen were honored guests. The church gave them African robes as a token of esteem. Then, dressed in his colorful costume, Dr. Cauthen preached on "faith."

Mr. Bullington regards as "a gift from God" the church's good fortune in being able to buy a building site on the main boulevard in Lome. "Finding a location in the heart of the city in 1965 was almost more than the church could believe," he said. "Baptists were few and little known."

"The sacrificial giving of the church members and the aid of Southern Baptists made the new building possible. Missionary G. Clayton Bond directed the construction himself and kept expenses at a minimum. Now the Baptist name is well known, and new opportunities for witness arise every day. We thank God for his blessings."

Baptist Men Will Respond To State Missions Appeal

By E. L. Howell
Director Brotherhood Department

I suppose we could say that State Missions is the springboard of World Missions involvement because we can so easily see the immediate needs; and if we actually desire to participate, involvement in State Missions could be referred to as a natural missions impulse.

Each year during the month of September our attention is focused on State Missions opportunities, needs, and participation.

Baptist Men are becoming increasingly aware of missions. Many influences are responsible for this awareness. Information and participation in Pioneer Missions programs

and activities, I think, are largely responsible for bringing the mission emphasis to bear in the lives of Baptist Men today; therefore, it is safe to assume that men are interested and will take a definite part in State Missions opportunities.

Baptist men throughout Mississippi will be involved, first of all, by being prayerfully concerned about the many State Mission opportunities which we have. This concern may be initiated or increased by learning about the many needs in the various sections of our state.

One of the greatest things that Baptist Men can do is to be much in prayer for missions in Mississippi during not only the month of September

but all the rest of the year.

Baptist Men will also support the idea of State Missions promoted in the various programs of their church, during this special emphasis, such as being in charge of Wednesday night services, pointing up State Mission needs and opportunities of involvement for the men and boys of the churches.

Promoting the State Mission offering by encouraging all of the men of the church to be prayerfully concerned and missionary minded in their liberality as they participate in the State Mission offering.

We believe that many Baptist Men* groups can profit greatly by visiting various mission areas and projects within the state.

State Missions In Action



Cooperative Missions

Rev. Benjamin Burgos, above left, missionary to the Mexicans in Mississippi, meets with a group of children during a retreat. Mr. Burgos spends his time preaching, teaching, conducting Bible schools, witnessing for Christ, and visiting his people. He drives up to 50,000 miles a year working with his people.

The choir, above right, poses in front of the Chinese Baptist Church in Cleveland. They sing in their own churches in the Delta, as well as other churches, associations, and at mission rallies.

The Cooperative Missions Department, Dr. Foy Rogers, director, has the responsibility for some fifteen areas of work; one area is In-Service Training. A group of students (left) enrolled in a class studying "An Introduction to Baptist Work" visit the old Baptist Building.

Sanatorium

Located near Magee, the state Sanatorium provides for the physical needs of patients in the hospital. It is our privilege through State Missions to provide some small help in meeting their spiritual needs.

Associational Missions

Typical of the work of more than forty superintendents of missions in Mississippi, Rev. E. F. Burke visits one of the pastors in Riverside Association to discuss the work of his church. Ten associations have a foster mission program.

SBC GIFTS IN AUGUST TOP \$37 MILLION

NASHVILLE (BP)—Southern Baptists had given \$37.8 million to world-wide missions efforts during the first eight months of the year, a monthly financial statement released by the Southern Baptist Convention Executive Committee here disclosed.

The \$37.8 million total includes \$17.4 million given to support all SBC programs of work through the Cooperative Program unified budget plan, plus \$20.3 million in designated gifts to specific SBC missions causes.

Total missions contributions for the first eight months of 1968 increased nearly \$2.3 million over missions gifts for the same period of 1967, the report indicated.

The increase is reflected by a \$1.4 million jump (7.39 per cent) in designated gifts, and an increase of \$891,916 (5.36 per cent) in gifts through the Cooperative Program.

Contributions through the Cooperative Program for the month of August totaled \$2.2 million. Cooperative Program gifts have exceeded the \$2 million mark each month of 1968, which SBC Executive Committee Financial Planning Secretary John H. Williams called an encouraging trend.

Most of the \$37.8 million has gone to support the work of the SBC Foreign Mission Board, which has received \$24 million thus far in 1968. The SBC Home Mission Board has received \$8.4 million.

Chairman Named For MC Fund

Nick Walker, well-known Jackson insurance executive, has been named general chairman of the 1968-69 Mississippi College Annual Fund, it was announced today.

Walker, an ardent supporter of Mississippi College, was selected by a committee of the college's Alumni Association and the Booster Club. He will be soliciting alumni and friends for funds to be used during the coming school year.

A native of Smithdale, Walker was educated at Mars Hill High School, Southwest Junior College and received his bachelor of arts degree from Mississippi College. He later earned the master of arts degree from the University of Mississippi.

He is owner of the Nick Walker Insurance Agency in Jackson and serves as insurance consultant to the Mississippi Education Association.

Revival Dates

Calvary Church, Meridian: Sept. 16-22; Dr. C. B. Howard, Buies Creek, North Carolina, evangelist; Dick Thomassian, Huntsville, Ala., singer; morning services 10:00 a. m.; evening services 7:30 p. m.; lunch will be served Tuesday through Friday at noon for all visiting preachers and their wives; Rev. W. Otis Seal, pastor.

Petal - Harvey Church, Petal (Lebanon Association): September 15-22; Larry Taylor, (pictured) full time evangelist of San Antonio, Texas, preaching; Vernon Boushell, of Cocoa, Fla., revival music; Rev. O. E. Thompson, pastor; services 10:00 a. m., and 7:30 p. m.; bus transportation furnished to Carey College students.

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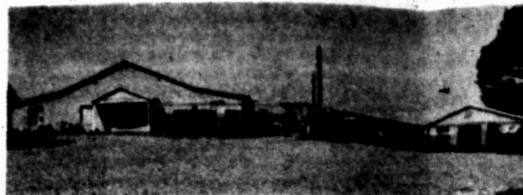
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State Missions In Action

Sophia Sutton Mission Assembly annually "multiplies the power of the Lord" to more than 25,000 people because of State Missions.



National Baptists



For twenty-five years Christian leaders have streamed through the classrooms of the Mississippi Baptist Seminary and gone into their communities trained for Christian leadership because of State Missions. Dr. W. P. Davis is director of work with National Baptists and is president of the Mississippi Baptist Seminary.

CALVARY CELEBRATES 7th YEAR

Calvary, Prentiss County, had a full schedule of activities for the church's seventh anniversary August 25. The day began with a good attendance in Sunday school at 9:55, followed by morning worship, Rev. Trent Grubbs, pastor, preaching. Lunch was served on the church lawn.

In the afternoon, congregational singing, and songs by the church's quartet, were featured. Reports of progress were made by chairmen of various organizations and testimonies by members and friends were given.

At 6:30 Training Union was well attended. At 7:30 a White Bible Ceremony was presented by the Young Woman's Auxiliary, with Miss Becky Presley as the honoree.

Twenty-one couples, supported by the Cooperative Program, serve state conventions as missionaries to the deaf. Nearly three hundred Southern Baptist churches now provide a ministry to deaf people.



Progress (Pike) Breaks Ground

On Thursday, August 15, Progress Church, Pike County, broke ground for a new church building. In his message, "The Reality of a Dream," the pastor, Rev. Danny Hood, said, "This church has dreamed dreams and now God has put within their hands the ability to accomplish those dreams." Dud Brumfield, oldest charter member of the church, turned the ground. Rev. Jimmy Hodges of Sunny Hill Church, shared in the program.

TERRY NAMED ASSISTANT EDITOR OF KENTUCKY PAPER

LOUISVILLE, (BP)—Bob S. Terry, former news director at the Southern Seminary here for the past two years, has been named assistant editor of the Western Recorder, weekly publication of the Kentucky Baptist Convention.

Terry succeeds George Knight, another former news director at Southern Seminary, who has joined the staff of the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board in Nashville.

Terry is a former minister of music at Port Gibson (Miss.) Baptist Church, minister of youth education at Ridgcrest Baptist Church, Jackson, Miss., and minister of education and pastoral intern at Jefferson Street Baptist Chapel in Louisville.

Lovorn Moves To South Carolina

Rev. Tommy Lovorn, a native of Calhoun City, Miss., has resigned his position as associate pastor of First Church, Suffolk, Va., to accept the pastorate of First Church, Cheraw, South Carolina.

Mr. Lovorn graduated from Mississippi College and New Orleans Seminary and served as pastor of churches in State Springs and Bruce, Mississippi. He also served as assistant pastor in Gadsden, Ala., and Poplarville, Miss.

For the past three years he has been youth and music associate in Suffolk. This past December he married a Suffolk native, the former Janie Johnson. The Lovorns were tour directors this summer for a group of 36 from their church who went to Jamaica, W.I. as missionaries to the deaf. Mr. Lovorn also served on the faculty at Ridgcrest Assembly, Ridgcrest, N. C. this summer as an instructor during Church Recreation week.

Rev. D. E. George Dies At Age 44

Rev. David Earl George Jr., 44, pastor of Trinity Church, Pineville, La., died Monday, Sept. 2, of an apparent heart attack while on vacation in Arkansas.

Mr. George, who had been pastor of churches in Mississippi, Tennessee and Louisiana for 27 years, had been pastor of the Pineville church for five and a half years.

He was moderator of the North Rapides Baptist Assn. and was treasurer of the Baptist Student Union at both Louisiana College and LSU.

A graduate of Central High school in Jackson, Miss., George held a B. A. degree from Mississippi College and B. D. degree from New Orleans Seminary. He was a native of Sheffield, Ala.

Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Ouida Cook George of Pineville; two sons, David Carey George and Timothy Earl George, both of Pineville; one daughter, Mrs. Kathleen Vines of Houston, Tex.; one brother, Durwood Benoit George of Alexandria; and one sister, Mrs. Helen Rogers of Jackson, Miss.

Funeral services were held Thursday, Sept. 5, in the Trinity Church.

Mr. George was the first cousin of Miss Evelyn George, associate, state Training Union Department.

Churches In The News

Forest Hill Church, Jackson, is having Homecoming September 15. All friends and former members are invited. Following the regular Sunday morning services dinner will be served at the church. There will be a special program at 2:30 p. m. The afternoon message will be brought by former pastor, Rev. Q. E. Floyd.

Proposed Calendar Of Activities For 1969

(This listing is correct as of the present. Other dates will be added by the various departments of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board as the time and place for the meetings are confirmed.)

JANUARY

- Make Your Will Month
- Associational Music Festivals (Anytime in January)
- 6-9-Missionaries Orientation Fellowship Meeting, Garaywa (Cooperative Missions)
- 6-10-January Bible Study
- 12-Southern Commitment Day and Hemisphere Day of Prayer
- 13-14-Area General Officers Institute (Ala.-La.-Miss.), Colonial Heights, Jackson
- 19-22-Adams County - Family Life Conference (Christian Action Commission)
- 30-Feb. 1-District Festivals (Piano, Song Leading, Vocal)

FEBRUARY

- 1-State Festival for Orchestral Instruments, Jackson (Solo and ensemble in brass, woodwind, string)
- 3-5-Evangelistic Conference, Gulfshore
- 8-13-Lauderdale - Director - led Sunday School Enlargement Campaign
- 15-"Preparatory" State Youth Choral Festivals for "First-timers"
- 17-18-State Vacation Bible School Clinic, Daniel Memorial, Jackson
- 20-22-Religious Education Association, Biloxi
- 22-"Preparatory" State Youth Choral Festivals for "First-timers"
- 23-26-Washington County-Family Life Conference (Christian Action Commission)
- 24-Twisting Guest Area Conference for Junior and Intermediate workers, First, McComb
- 24-25-Sunday School Adult Outreach Clinic, Woodland Hills, Jackson
- 25-Training Union Area Conference for Junior and Intermediate workers, First, Biloxi
- 25-27-Southern Baptist Association of Foundation Executives Convention, Jackson
- 27-Training Union Area Conference for Junior and Intermediate workers, First, Hattiesburg
- 27-28-Sunday School Adult Outreach Clinic, Harrisburg, Tupelo
- 28-Training Union Area Conference for Junior and Intermediate Workers, Highland, Laurel
- 28-Mar. 1-State Youth Music Tournament and Workshop, Blue Mountain College

MARCH

- 2-9-Week of Prayer for Home Missions
- 7-Man and Boy Rally, First, Wiggins (Brotherhood)
- 7-9-YWA Houseparty, Gulfshore
- 9-Home Missions Day in the Sunday School
- 10-11-Sunday School Crusade Bible Teaching Conference, Calvary, Tupelo
- 10-12-Mississippi College - Family Life Conference (Christian Action Commission)
- 13-15-Intermediate GA Queens' Court, Garaywa
- 14-Man and Boy Rally, First, Crystal Springs (Brotherhood)
- 14-15-State Youth Choral Festivals, William Carey College and Mississippi College (During MEA holidays)
- 15-State Youth Choral Festivals, Clarke College and Blue Mountain College
- 16-30-Crusade of the Americas, South Mississippi (Simultaneous Revivals)
- 17-18-Sunday School Crusade Bible Teaching Conference, First, Greenwood
- 21-Man and Boy Rally, Moorhead, Moorhead (Brotherhood)
- 28-Man and Boy Rally, East Heights, Tupelo (Brotherhood)
- 28-30-YWA Houseparty, Wall Doney State Park

APRIL

- 1-2-WMU Convention, First, Jackson
- 3-Sunday School Church Building Conference, Temple, Hattiesburg
- 5-State Junior Choral Festival, Coliseum, Jackson
- 6-20-Crusade of the Americas, North Mississippi (Simultaneous Revivals)
- 7-Training Union Area Conference for Elementary Workers, Broadmoor, Jackson
- 8-Training Union Area Conference for Elementary Workers, First, Greenville
- 10-Training Union Area Conference for Elementary Workers, First, Columbus
- 11-Training Union Area Conference for Elementary Workers, Fifteenth Avenue, Meridian
- 14-15-Sunday School Crusade Bible Teaching Conference, Ridgcrest, Jackson
- 15-20-BSU Leadership Training Conference, Gulfshore
- 20-Cooperative Program Day
- 20-23-Clarke College-Family Life Conference (Christian Action Commission)
- 21-22-Sunday School Crusade Bible Teaching Conference, First, Gulfport
- 21-25-Church Membership Training Week (Training Union)
- 21-May 2-Associational WMU Meetings
- 22-24-Brotherhood State Directors Planning Meeting, Memphis, Tennessee
- 25-Sunday School Crusade Bible Teaching Conference, First, Hattiesburg

MAY

- 1-Sunday School Church Building Conference, First, Tupelo
- 1-State Finals, Junior Memory Work Drill and Intermediate Sword Drill (Training Union), First, Louisville
- 2-State Finals, Junior Memory Work Drill and Intermediate Sword Drill (Training Union), First, Ellenville
- 2-3-South Mississippi Brotherhood Retreat, Paul B. Johnson State Park, Hattiesburg

- 4-Wiggins - Family Life Conference (Christian Action Commission)
- 3-State Finals, Junior Memory Work Drill and Intermediate Sword Drill (Training Union), Daniel Memorial, Jackson
- 4-7-Gulf Coast - Family Life Conference, Grace Memorial, Gulfport (Christian Action Commission)
- 5-WMU Special Day
- 5-State Finals, Junior Memory Work Drill and Intermediate Sword Drill (Training Union), Harrisburg, Tupelo
- 6-State Finals, Junior Memory Work Drill and Intermediate Sword Drill (Training Union), First, Greenwood
- 10-Training Union Selection Tournament - Intermediate Sword Drill, Parkway, Jackson
- 12-Church Administration Conference, First, Starkville (Sunday School)
- 13-Church Administration Conference, Calvary, Cleveland (Sunday School)
- 13-Associational Officers Clinic, Garaywa (WMU)
- 13-Church Administration Conference, Alta Woods, Jackson (Sunday School)
- 16-Church Administration Conference, First, Brookhaven (Sunday School)
- 16-17-North Mississippi Brotherhood Retreat
- 19-23-Area Fellowship Bible Class Meetings (Sunday School)
- 19-23-Area Music Administration Conferences and Jr. Music Leadership Conferences
- 27-Education Directors Dialogue, Jackson (Sunday School)
- 28-Superintendents of Missions Dialogue, Jackson (Sunday School)

- 5-8-Ridgcrest: National Conference on Campus Christian Ministry and Higher Education
- 5-11-Glorieta: Training Union Leadership and Youth Conferences
- 5-11-Ridgcrest: Student Week: Writers Conference
- 6-7-Associational YWA Officers, Garaywa
- 9-10-WMU Annual Meeting, New Orleans, Louisiana
- 9-10-Southern Baptist Church Music Conference, New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary
- 9-14-RA Camp, Kittiwake
- 9-14-GA Camp, Garaywa
- 10-13-Southern Baptist Convention, New Orleans, Louisiana

JUNE

- 12-18-Glorieta: Training Union Leadership and Youth Conferences
- 12-18-Ridgcrest: Music Leadership Conference; Youth Music Workshop
- 16-18-Kindergarten and Day Care Workshop, Gulfshore
- 16-21-First Youth Music Week, Gulfshore
- 16-21-GA Camp, Garaywa
- 16-21-RA Camp, Kittiwake
- 18-21-Music Leadership Retreats, Gulfshore (Ministers of Music Retreat; Age-group Music Workers Retreat; Volunteer Music Directors' Retreat)
- 19-25-Glorieta: Sunday School Leadership Conference
- 19-25-Ridgcrest: Music Leadership Conference; Youth Music Workshop
- 22-25-First Sunday School Leadership Conference, Gulfshore
- 23-25-GA Camp, Garaywa
- 23-25-RA Camp, Kittiwake
- 25-28-Second Sunday School Leadership Conference, Gulfshore
- 26-July 2-Ridgcrest: World Missions Conference
- 26-July 2-Glorieta: Sunday School Leadership Conference
- 28-Associational Youth Night
- 30-July 5-GA Camp, Garaywa
- 30-July 5-RA Camp, Kittiwake
- 30-July 5-First Junior Music Week, Gulfshore

JULY

- 3-9-Glorieta: Sunday School Leadership Conference
- 3-9-Ridgcrest: Foreign Missions Conference
- 7-12-GA Camp, Garaywa
- 7-12-RA Camp, Kittiwake
- 7-12-Second Youth Music Week, Gulfshore
- 10-14-Glorieta: WMU Conference
- 10-14-Ridgcrest: Training Union Leadership and Youth Conferences
- 14-19-First Youth Week (Training Union), Gulfshore
- 14-19-GA Camp, Garaywa
- 14-19-RA Camp, Kittiwake
- 17-23-Ridgcrest: Training Union Leadership and Youth Conferences
- 17-23-Glorieta: Youth Music Workshop; YWA Conference
- 21-25-Second Youth Week (Training Union), Gulfshore
- 21-25-GA Camp, Garaywa
- 21-25-RA Camp, Kittiwake
- 24-30-Ridgcrest: Sunday School Leadership Conference
- 24-30-Glorieta: Music Leadership Conference
- 25-30-First Training Union Conference, Gulfshore
- 25-Aug. 2-GA Camp, Garaywa
- 31-Aug. 2-Second Training Union Conference, Gulfshore
- 31-Aug. 6-Ridgcrest: Sunday School Leadership Conference
- 31-Aug. 6-Glorieta: Home Missions Conference

AUGUST

- 4-7-Chinese Retreat
- 4-7-Second Junior Music week, Gulfshore
- 4-9-GA Camp, Garaywa
- 7-9-Mexican Retreat
- 7-13-Glorieta: Bible Conference; Christian Life Commission Summer Conference; Church Library Conference

- 7-13-Ridgcrest: WMU Conference
- 11-15-Bible Conference, Gulfshore
- 11-16-GA Camp, Garaywa
- 14-20-Glorieta: Foreign Missions Conference
- 14-20-Ridgcrest: Home Missions Conference
- 17-24-Music Expansion Week in each church
- 19-27-WMU Camp, Garaywa
- 21-27-Ridgcrest: Christian Life Commission Summer Conference; Church Library Conference; Bible Conference
- 21-27-Glorieta: Student Week
- 24-A Day of Singing and Praise
- 25-26-Youth Leadership Conference (Sunday School)
- 26-Sept. 1-Ridgcrest and Glorieta: Single Adult Conferences

SEPTEMBER

- Associational Music Planning Meetings
- 1-Associational Officers Briefing Meeting (Training Union), Calvary, Tupelo
- 1-2-Pastor - Deacon Retreat, Holmes State Park
- 2-Associational Officers Briefing Meeting (Training Union), N. Greenwood, Greenwood
- 4-Associational Officers Briefing Meeting (Training Union), Main Street, Hattiesburg
- 4-5-Pastor - Deacon Retreat, Paul B. Johnson State Park
- 5-Associational Officers Briefing Meeting (Training Union), Southside, Jackson
- 8-9-Pastor-Deacon Retreat, Wall Doney State Park
- 10-Crusade of the Americas Rally, Woodland Hills, Jackson
- 13-14-World Missions Rally, Garaywa (Brotherhood)
- 14-17-World Missions Season of Prayer
- 20-21-Laymen's Evangelistic Conference, Broadmoor, Jackson
- 22-26-Sunday School Leadership Preparation Week in the churches
- 28-Area Brotherhood Leadership Training Conference, First, Brandon
- 29-30-Children's Workers Institute (North), First, Kosciusko (Sunday School)

OCTOBER

- Cooperative Program Month
- Associational Music Planning Meetings
- "Singing Churchmen's" Tour and Music Seminar, Nashville, Tennessee
- 2-Area Brotherhood Leadership Training Conference, North McComb, McComb
- 2-3-Children's Workers Institute (South), Main Street, Hattiesburg (Sunday School)
- 4-5-College YWA Houseparty, Garaywa
- 6-Adams Central Training School, Morgantown, Natchez (Sunday School)
- 9-Area Brotherhood Leadership Training Conference, First, Tupelo
- 13-Area Brotherhood Leadership Training Conference, First, Batesville
- 16-18-Singing Churchmen Tour and Music Seminar, Nashville, Tenn.
- 23-Ellisville Institute on Retardation (Cooperative Missions)
- 27-Pastor-Director Conference (Training Union), First, Gulfport
- 27-28-District Meetings (WMU), Districts 2 and 8
- 27-28-Area Associational Leadership Meetings (Cooperative Missions)
- 28-Pastor-Director Conference (Training Union), Temple, Hattiesburg
- 28-29-District Meetings (WMU), Districts 7 and 9
- 30-District Meeting (WMU), District 11
- 30-Area Brotherhood Leadership Training Conference, First, Ellenville
- 30-Pastor-Director Conference (Training Union), First, Brookhaven
- 30-Area Associational Leadership Meetings (Cooperative Missions)
- 31-Pastor-Director Conference (Training Union), First, Natchez

NOVEMBER

- Associational Music Planning Meetings
- 3-Pastor-Director Conference (Training Union), First, Sardis
- 3-Area Brotherhood Leadership Training Clinic, First, Ocean Springs
- 3-Pastor-Director Conference (Training Union), Southside, Meridian
- 3-4-District Meetings (WMU), Districts 4 and 10
- 4-Pastor - Director Conference (Training Union), First, Indiana
- 4-Pastor - Director Conference (Training Union), First, Starkville
- 4-5-District Meetings (WMU), Districts 3 and 5
- 6-Pastor - Director Conference (Training Union), First, Kosciusko
- 6-Pastor - Director Conference (Training Union), First, Corinth
- 6-District Meetings (WMU), Districts 1 and 6
- 7-Pastor - Director Conference (Training Union), Van Winkle, Jackson
- 7-Pastor - Director Conference (Training Union), First, Pontotoc
- 10-State Baptist Men's Conference, Jackson
- 11-13-Mississippi Baptist Convention, First, Jackson
- 13-Youth Night, Coliseum, Jackson
- 17-Training Union "M" Night
- 17-19-Training Clinics - 10:00 a. m. - 12:30 p. m. (Chairmen of Evangelism, Superintendents of Missions, and Moderators), (Evangelism)
- 30-Dec. 7-Week of Prayer for Foreign Missions

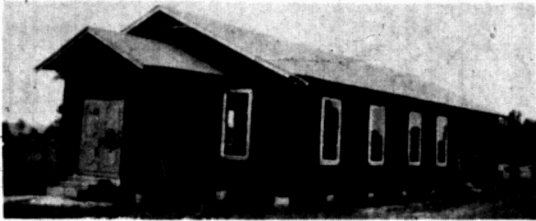
DECEMBER

- 2-5-Missionaries' Orientation Fellowship Meeting
- 7-Foreign Missions Day in Sunday School
- 17-Convention - wide Church Carol Sing
- 28-Student Night at Christmas
- 28-Training Union Leadership Convention, Broadmoor, Jackson
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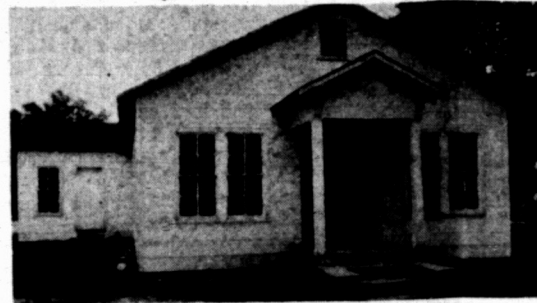


West Side Church, Copiah Association, is one of the 10 churches in Mississippi receiving Building Aid this year.



Pastoral Aid

The gospel is preached in Carriage Hills Church in a growing area in DeSoto County. Pastor J. B. Miller receives a small amount monthly from State Missions as pastoral aid.



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The Sunday School Lesson

THE INTERNATIONAL LESSON- LIFE AND WORK CURRICULUM-

Esther Saves Her People

By Clifton J. Allen
Esther is one of the latest books of the Old Testament. One cannot be dogmatic about its purpose. The name of God does not appear in it. Even so, it has a distinct religious value. It teaches God's providential care of his people. It declares the law of moral retribution. It tells of Esther's heroism in averting a massacre of the Jews. Also, it reflects something of the intense nationalism which marked the Jewish people following the Exile.

The Lesson Explained
Trouble In Shushan
Verse 4:8

Vashti, the queen, had been deposed by Ahasuerus because she would not accede to his request to parade her beauty before the drunken crowd at a feast. Esther, a Jewish orphan, who had been brought up in the home of her cousin, Mordecai, was chosen from among many other young maidens to be queen. Mordecai had charged her not to let it be known that she was a Jewess. Later, Mordecai saved the king from assassination by reporting a plot to Esther, who in turn told the king. Haman, the highest officer of the king, became mad with rage against Mordecai because Mordecai did not bow before him. He therefore devised a plot and obtained a decree from the king calling for the massacre of all the Jews throughout the realm. This was the occasion for Mordecai rending his clothes and appearing at the king's gate in sackcloth. Consternation and grief enveloped all the Jews because of their impending destruction.

"If I Perish, I Perish"
Verses 4:13-16

When Esther learned of Mordecai's grief and mourning, she sent a servant to him to find out why. He sent word to Esther through the messenger about the plight of the Jews and charged her to go into the king and make supplication for her people. In her reply to Mordecai, she reminded him that to enter the king's presence unbidden meant death, unless he should hold out a golden scepter.

Then Mordecai sent a further word to the queen to challenge her with a sense of her responsibility for her people. He confronted her with the fact that perhaps her very life mission was this opportunity to intervene for her people. Her response was a resolution to risk her life in behalf of her people. Her decision showed the strength of her courage and the quality of her character and her fidelity to her own people.

Deliverance and Celebration
Verses 7:1-7

The dramatic events related to Esther's daring mediation are recorded in chapters 5-8. The king received her with the golden scepter. She invited the king and Haman to a banquet. At the banquet Esther exposed Haman's wicked plot against the Jews and pleaded that she and her people be spared. The king ordered that Haman should be hanged, and he then issued a decree that the Jews should be prepared to defend themselves when his former decree should be put into execution. The revenge with which they defended themselves, killing seventy-five thousand persons, cannot be justified.

In commemoration of their deliverance, Mordecai — now exalted to a place of honor in the king's court — sent letters to all the Jews to charge them to observe an annual feast, to be known as the Feast of Purim. It was to be primarily a time of feasting and joy, of exchanging gifts, and of making gifts to the poor. Nothing in the biblical narrative indicates a recognition of deliverance as the providence of God.

Truths To Live By

The crises of life require courage and decisive action. — Individuals face crisis situations of many kinds. A crippling disease or a tragic accident will likely involve not only the sick or hurt person but his family as well. This situation may demand adjustment in terms of heroic sacrifice, which ought to be made willingly and courageously. Another situation is when a person faces a moral issue in a club or business or political campaign or labor strike or community improvement program. Taking a stand for what is right may involve losing one's position, estranging

By Bill Duncan
I Thessalonians 3:12-13, 4:9-10

The idea of our lesson topic is found in I Thessalonians 1:3c, "The love of every one of you all toward each other aboundeth." Here again we see a characteristic that should be added toward a full Christian maturity. This is a very important thought that comes from all sections of the Bible. This speaks of love being the attitude that we need because as we follow the example of Jesus, this is what he did.

Love is the absent thought and action in so much of our world. Many people do not take time to "be nice" much less love. This is the reason for the conditions of our world. The presence of love is the first step toward the positive action of help and concern.

God's love is our pattern of action toward other people. God's love is able to demonstrate what God is like. The Love chapter of the Bible, I Cor. 13, tells us how and why love is so important. This love is different from what our world calls love. This is love like God's love toward us. The best example of love is Jesus Christ. He lives out love and his life is written up in I Cor. 13.

"And now abideth faith, hope and love, these three, but the greatest of these is love." This says love is more important than the other two. When love is present, many of the inadequacies of life disappear.

Love did not nullify the law but put harder restraints and greater requirements on the people. Love does not seek anything but that which is for the best interest of the other. Love does not do away with the law, but gives to the Christian a better understanding of what the Christian should do. Paul said we are not under law but love. We do not want just to keep rules but we want to do what love requires.

The law does not apply to us but love does and this is more important. Love seeks to do what is best. God's attitude toward us is that we should love him and our neighbor as ourselves. The self-giving of Christ redeems us from the curse of the law. — Christ freely sacrificed his life, bearing the curse of sin in our stead.

"Crusaders" Meeting To Be Sept. 20

The 8th annual "Crusaders" meeting will be held at the Broadmoor Church, Jackson, at 5:30 p. m. Friday, September 20.

This meeting will precede the opening session of the Mississippi Laymen's Evangelistic Conference which will be held at the Broadmoor Church beginning at 7:30 p. m. and continuing into Saturday, September 21. Those invited to attend the "Crusaders" meeting are also invited and urged to attend the Laymen's Evangelistic Conference.

The "Crusaders" meeting is held annually. All laymen and pastors who have been on a Crusade in the pioneer areas are invited to attend and to bring their wives. Also invited are others interested in pioneer missions work and who are prospects to attend a future Crusade. The meal will cost \$1.

Waco TV Station To Carry Special On College Life

WACO, Tex. (BP)—Baylor University, a Baptist school here, will be one of five major universities featured in a one-hour color television special entitled "The Time Of Their Lives," shown over television stations in Waco, and Bryant, Texas.

The television special tells the story of non-academic campus life of one fall weekend, spotlighting Baylor, the University of California, the University of Indiana, William and Mary College, and Yale University.

Baptist Students At State University Plan Retreat

"Preparing to Penetrate" is the theme for this year's pre-school retreat for Baptist students at Mississippi State University. Students will gather at Camp Henry Pratt, Columbus, September 13th, and remain through September 15th, making plans, worshipping, and sharing summer experiences.

Dr. Bill Pinson, professor of Christian Ethics at Southwestern Seminary, Ft. Worth Texas, will be the main speaker. Dr. Pinson will speak four times during the retreat on a variety of subjects dealing with problems facing the Christian college student of this generation.

In addition to Dr. Pinson, Miss Rebecca Hardy, graduate assistant in the School of Music at Baylor University, Waco, Texas, will be present to help with the music.

Student leaders for the retreat will include: Robbie Fischer, B.S.U. president; Bobby Walker, Graduate student at MSU; Niles McNeil, MSU student body president; Judy McHaffey, Pan-Hellenic



Dr. Bill Pinson

president; and Debbie Davis, YMCA president.

Albert Lowery, a junior from Ruleville, is chairman of the Retreat Program Planning Committee. He has been assisted by Mary-Beth Strickland, West Point, and Bobby Baker, Starkville.

Harold Gully is Baptist student director.

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DEVOTIONAL

Never Alone

By James E. Smith, Pastor, Raymond

Scripture: "For none of us liveth to himself, and no man dieth to himself."—Romans 14:7

The ship made its way through the ship channel of Galveston Bay on its way out to the Gulf. Two men fishing in a boat in the Galveston Bay saw the ship in the distance as the huge vessel made its way through the channel. They watched the ship until it disappeared out of sight, and by that time the waves created by the ship had reached them and had begun to rock the boat. One of the men turned to his companion and pointed out the fact that the rough waters they were experiencing were coming from the ship that had been in the channel, but now was out of sight. The next Sunday morning this man stood before his Sunday-school class and used this illustration to point out that our lives influence others like that ship had affected them.

People are influenced by the way we live, even when our presence might not be there. Our influence can make their life easier or our influence can create rough waters for them in their experiences.

The widely prevalent philosophy of life that says, "My life is my own, and I will live it like I please," is all wrong. The Bible says so when it says, "For no man liveth to himself and no man dieth to himself." Sociologists point out that man is a creature of influence and a man's life is determined by that with which he comes in contact. One of life's most certain facts is the influence one has over another, that lives on for time and eternity. We as individuals are what we are today of this matter of influence. We were influenced by our parents and friends, and they were influenced by their parents and friends. People who have died many years ago live on through us today because of influence.

A man on death row in the Mississippi State Penitentiary told me just two hours before he stepped into the lethal gas chamber that the thing that worried him the most was not death. He said he knew he would be in a much better place than he had ever been before because he had become a Christian. The thing that worried him the most was the influence for bad which he had left upon the lives of others.

This scripture refers to our life in relation to God as well as our relation to man. We do not live to ourselves as Christians. Each of us has accepted Christ as our Redeemer and Lord, and our life should seek to serve Him. One of the Glories of the Christian life is that we do not have to wait until eternity to belong to God, but we become a child of God immediately upon our profession of faith in Christ. From that moment on we do not live to ourselves, but we seek to live as Christ would have us live. As Christians, we live in the continuous presence of God and have no fear of death; He is as close in death as in life.

Baptist Retreat In Turkey

The Galatian Baptist Church, an English-speaking congregation in Ankara, Turkey, has held its first retreat. Sixty persons spent a few days in prayer, praise, study, and worship at Lake Abant, in the mountains. "Our ses-

sions, both out-of-doors and in the hotel lounge, were the first meetings of this kind witnessed by the other guests and the personnel of the hotel," says Southern Baptist Missionary James F. Leeper, pastor of the church. Missionary James F. Kirkendall, pastor of an English-language Baptist church in Beirut, Lebanon, was the main speaker.

Abounding In Love

(Continued from page 11) tude and action toward us becomes the basic example for us.

THE GROWTH OF LOVE

I Thess. 3:12-13 One's love is now born complete. Two persons who marry think they love each other but as the years go on they learn that they can learn to love each other more. So our love needs to grow. The individual needs to desire this growth before the Lord can make the growth possible. No one has enough love and we all should seek to have more.

The growth of love needs to include more people. There needs to be an abundance of love toward those within the church. As the group grows, so needs to grow our love. The highest form of love needs to be found in the context of the church. But we need to learn to love those outside the church too. This is the real test of love. We need to love those who hate us and do not share the opinion and social structure we do.

The purpose of this growth is so we can become more

Names In The News

Rev. and Mrs. Thomas E. Thurman, missionaries to Pakistan, planned to arrive in the States on September 11 for furlough (address: Box 165, Camden, Ala., 36726). He is a native of Monticello, Miss.; she is the former Gloria Philpot, of McWilliams, Ala. At the time of their missionary appointment in 1964 he was associational missionary for Bethlehem Baptist Association, Frisco City, Ala.

W. Ralph Davis, missionary to Nigeria, has joined Mrs. Davis and their children in the

States for furlough (address: 700 Grace Ave., Hattiesburg, Miss., 39401). Born in Pachuta, Miss., he also lived near Quitman, Miss., and Hattiesburg while growing up; Mrs. Davis is the former Joyce Merritt, of Forrest County, Mississippi.

Miss Mary Cannon, missionary on extended leave from Japan, has moved to Atlanta, Ga., from Spartanburg, S. C. (address: 862 Wildwood Rd., N.E., Atlanta, Ga., 29301). She hopes to return to Japan in October. Born in Asheville, N. C., Miss Cannon lived in several Southern cities while growing up. She is the twin sister of Mrs. Dan Hall, wife of Mississippi Baptists' state music director.

REVIVAL RESULTS

Houlka (Chickasaw): August 18-23; Rev. D. D. Satterwhite, pastor, Bay Springs Church, "evangelist; Rev. Julian West, pastor; Ben Scarborough of Bruce, song leader; Mrs. Hardy Keith and Mrs. Joe Hugh Peden, pianist and organist; 20 additions, for baptism; nine by letter; seven rededications; two surrendering for Christian service.

SUNSHINE (Rankin): 20 professions of faith, 1 by statement, 4 surrendered to Christian service, 68 rededications; Rev. Billy Joe Pierce, evangelist; Bennie McBride, singer; Rev. Vance Dyess, pastor.

Greens Creek, Petal, (Lebanon): August 11-16; 7 additions, many rededications; closing night entire church present, as well as visiting members from other churches, came down to rededicate themselves anew." Rev. Dan H. Holcomb (pictured) of Louisville, Kentucky, evangelist; Roy L. Blackman, music and recreational director, Baton Rouge, La., song leader; Rev. Q. C. Barrett, pastor; CHRIST OUR HOPE was the theme.

Rev. and Mrs. J. Earl Posey, Jr., missionaries, expected to leave for the Philippines on August 26 following an extended furlough in the States. They will work with students in Baguio (address: Box 7, Baguio, Philippines). Born in Boyles, Ala., he lived in Pinson, Ala., during childhood; she, the former Mamie Lou Eubanks, was born in Lucedale, Miss., and lived near Houston, Tex., and in Mobile, Ala., while growing up.

Mr. & Mrs. James V. Hudson, Jr., and Rev. & Mrs. Billy G. Colston, missionary appointees to Korea, were scheduled to leave the States on August 31 for Seoul, where they will study language. (Both couples may be addressed at Baptist Mission, I. P. O. 1361, Seoul, Korea.) Born in Jackson, Miss., Mr. Hudson also lived in Monroe, La., while growing up; Mrs. Hudson is the former Linda Pickett, of Bastrop, La. He was a schoolteacher in Sulphur, La., at the time of their missionary appointment in 1967. Mr. Colston was born in Kosciusko, Miss., but grew up in Fayette, Ala.; Mrs. Colston, the former Geraldine Rutland, was born in New Orleans, La., but grew up in Amite, La.

like God. The example and goal of our whole lives is God. Let us also realize that God is the only one who can see if our love is sincere. The coming of Jesus will be a time of judgement and reunion.

BROTHERLY LOVE

I Thess. 4:9-10 The increase of brotherly love is a call for finding new expressions of the love all the time. This not to be a static attitude only toward one another but toward all men. The apostle called for them to continue their expressions of love beyond the accepted borders. We should not limit our love or have a different feeling toward other people.

Brotherly love is not an attitude alone. For our love must be expressed in action too. One can feel love, but he must also see it. The actions of love are taught by God toward everyone. But we need to be certain that we have the same action toward all men that we have among the brethren.

This love must be taught by God and learned through experience. It is not easy to love all men the same. But God's love is this way and we need to do so too.

When thou liest down, thou shalt not be afraid: Yes, thou shalt lie down, and thy sleep shall be sweet.—Proverbs 3:24

Stewardship

A major part of the work done by the Stewardship Department is directed toward helping the churches. Second church, Greenville, (top left), Rev. Roy Raddin, pastor, is erecting a complete new building with a much stronger financial base. The pastor feels this is a direct result of their use of the FORWARD PROGRAM OF CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP. Over 400 Mississippi churches have received such assistance in the last two years.

The CHURCH BUILDING FUND CAMPAIGN is promoted by the department. Shiloh Church, Monticello (center left), Rev. U. G. Salter, pastor, pledged a three-year goal of \$70,000 toward the budget and the construction of a complete new building. This was the first stewardship emphasis in the history of the church.

In an effort to assist younger preachers, two visits are made each year to the campus of New Orleans Seminary (bottom left), where actual classroom instruction is given in budget preparation and stewardship promotion. Rev. John Alexander is director, state Stewardship Department.

Evangelism

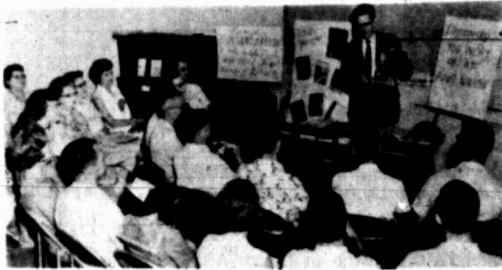
Hundreds of pastors from every area of the state attend the Annual Evangelistic Conference at Gulfshore (at top, below). Inspiration and information from this meeting assist pastors in the vital task of winning the lost to Christ.

Evangelism Clinics (at bottom, below) are conducted over the state to assist church leaders in revival preparation, promotion, and prayer. Dr. L. Gordon Sansing is director, state Evangelism Department.

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Training Union

Interested Training Union leaders look for more effective ways of relating the work of their organization to the ministry of the church. Hundreds attend Gulfshore Assembly each summer during one of the Training Union Weeks.



All ages are assisted by the Training Union. Fortunate indeed are children blessed with the privilege of sharing in the ministry of a good Training Union. Kermit King is state Training Union director.

Brotherhood

In its ministry to Baptist Men, the Brotherhood conducts a series of retreats over the state each year. E. L. Howell is State Brotherhood director.



Thousands of Baptist Boys know the thrill of a week at R.A. Camp each summer. Many lasting spiritual decisions are made during these weeks of study and fun conducted by the Brotherhood Department. Paul Harrell, state director, Royal Ambassadors, is in photo at right, axe in hand.



Sunday School

Vacation Bible Schools are a vital part of the ministry of the Sunday School Department. Thousands are taught the Bible and hundreds won to Christ every summer in Mississippi through this Sunday school program. Bryant Cummings is director state Sunday School Department.



Effective Bible teaching cannot be over-emphasized. The Sunday School Department works throughout the year to improve the quality of Bible teaching in Mississippi Sunday schools.



Expanded Evening School Set At Carey

William Carey College has announced today plans for an expanded evening school with reduced tuition prices for those students enrolled.

Ten courses have been assigned to this category and will be taught one evening each week during the fall semester for three hours. According to Joseph M. Ernest, Academic Vice President of William Carey College, the cost will be \$15 per semester hour for those enrolled only in night classes. "We can afford to do this," commented Dr. Ernest, "because night students do not use all of the expensive facilities that the regularly enrolled student has at his disposal."

Registration for night classes will take place on Monday and Tuesday evenings, September 16 and 17, from 5:00 to 6:30 p.m.

Courses to be offered include Business 314 (Principles of Management); History 331 (Mississippi History); Sociology 322 (Social Stratification); Education 313 (Mathematics

for the Elementary Teacher); History 304 (The Jacksonian Era); and Journalism 210 (Copy Editing and Newspaper Make Up).

In addition, William Carey College is offering free of charge three courses in Bible and Music designed to aid the local church lay leader. These are Biblical Studies 441 (The Poetical and Wisdom Books of the Old Testament); Biblical Studies 444 (The General Epistles of the New Testament); and Music T150 (Fundamentals of Music). No

Illinois Man Goes To BSSB Post

NASHVILLE (BP) — Ernest R. Adams, formerly Sunday School secretary of the Illinois Baptist State Association, Carbondale, has been named supervisor of the general administration section, Sunday School department for the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board here.

MC String Extension Begins Third Year At Woodland Hills

The Mississippi College Music Department, in cooperation with the Music Department of the Mississippi Baptist Convention, announces plans for Fall String Classes to begin at Woodland Hills Church, Jackson, for Jackson students on Saturday, September 21st at 10 a. m. in the music suite, and at 2 p. m. at Aven Fine Arts Auditorium at Mississippi College for Clinton students.

Classes are available for ages six through eighteen in violin, viola, cello, and string bass. Cost for the semester of string lessons will be \$20. This fee includes sixteen weeks of class instruction and recital opportunities, plus the opportunity to play in the Mississippi College Youth Orchestra. Professor Allan Fuller and

members of the string staff are in charge of the classes. Those interested in this program may obtain additional information by calling

SAND HILL DEACON DIES

On August 10, L. L. Smith of Route 1, Richton, passed away.

Mr. Smith was a deacon of the Sand Hill Baptist Church in Greene County for six years. "The church will miss the service of this fine Christian man," states the pastor, Rev. David Edenfield.

Sand Hill Church voted in their last business meeting to adopt a resolution of appreciation, in honor of the services Mr. Smith rendered there.

credit will be given for these courses unless the student desires. In this case he may pay the regular \$15 a semester hour and receive college credit. All other courses mentioned above may be attended without credit for \$7.50 an hour. Applied music lessons in voice, piano, and organ will be offered also during the night school.

All inquiries concerning night classes should be made to Dr. Joseph M. Ernest, William Carey College.



Miss Hazel Morris

To Direct Work With Children At Ist, Jackson

Miss Hazel Morris on August 15 began her duties as director of children's work at First Church, Jackson, Dr. W. Douglas Hudgins, pastor.

Born at Gray Hawk, Kentucky, Miss Morris received her early education there. Later she earned her B. S. degree in elementary education at Eastern Kentucky University. For the next five years she taught first grade in Milanburg, Ohio, while serving First Baptist Church there in many capacities of leadership.

With a strong conviction that she should be serving the Lord through children's work, she entered Southwestern Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas, where she received her M.E.E. degree, specializing in children's work.

During the summer of 1967 she served on the faculty of the Children's Building at Ridgecrest Assembly in North Carolina.

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